

## GME Institutional Coordinator Excellence Award



While Institutional Coordinators' titles may vary, this generally refers to the role that supports the Designated Institutional Official, manages the day-to-day operations of the GME Office, and is actively involved in the ACGME-related functions of the institution. The GME Institutional Coordinator Award recognizes an individual who demonstrates in-depth knowledge of GME and skillfully manages the multiple roles of administrator, counselor, enforcer, coordinator, organizer, and scheduler.



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### **Nominators had this to say:**

“Michael knows how different data elements we collect in our programs and institution relate to the overall accreditation process. For example, our committee was questioning the ability to obtain data on a wellness metric, specifically suicidal risk. Michael quickly pulled the information from our most recent institutional survey referencing a question about suicidality. He also cross-referenced the results of the ACGME wellness survey identifying questions that could possibly relate.”

“On a personal note, Michael is one of the kindest, [most] respectful individuals. He always demonstrates the utmost professionalism in all interactions. As a busy coordinator, Michael is often multi-tasking and interrupted with questions. Yet, he greets everyone with a smile and a calm, considerate tone of voice. He is humble and effective at his job. Michael's approachability and highly professional manner truly make working with him a pleasure.”

“I can personally testify to Mr. Venten's impact. Whenever I have had a question, he has been ready and willing to help me. Whenever I notice that my physician resident colleagues seemed overwhelmed, there is a wellness event organized by Mr. Venten that I can direct them to. He has been available for conversation at every GME-sponsored event I have attended. Even on weekends and evenings, he is available to talk by text message, phone, and email.”