

2018 Residency Directors Forum Provides Direct Contact with Organizational Reps



It was a packed room at this year's Residency Directors Forum, held March 21 in Nashville in advance of ACFAS 2018. Cohosted by the Council of Teaching Hospitals (COTH), the Forum provided program directors, faculty and chief residents with direct access to invited panelists to find answers to their burning questions.

"This half-day workshop provided an overwhelming amount of crucial information to program directors. The attendees had a chance to meet with key players in podiatric education from AACPM, CPME, PRR, ABFAS and ABPM," said Roya Mirmiran, DPM, FACFAS, chair of the ACFAS Post Graduate Affairs Committee. "The program's agenda was diverse and met the needs of everyone, from new to experienced program directors. It was refreshing to get everyone—from chief residents, to program directors to deans of the schools—under one roof to discuss the current and future status of our residency programs."

Highlights from this year's Forum included:

- Demonstrated pathways to educational and funding resources for residency programs
- Shared updates on what's new with PRR and CPME
- Tips and tricks for optimizing resident and student didactic teaching
- Ways to ward off social media trolls and troubles
- Debates on hot topics affecting the future of residency programs
- A showcased, multidisciplinary approach to residency administration and education via representation by AACPM, CPME, PRR, PICA, ABFAS, ABPM and deans of podiatry schools

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Save the Date: 2019 Residency Directors Forum

Residency directors, mark your calendars now for next year's Forum scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2019, the day before ACFAS 2019 kicks off in New Orleans.

