

Surveys/Feedback

ACGME will send out two different surveys annually. One survey to trainees and another to faculty.

- 70% completion rate is required for both groups.
- Reports will be generated when there are 4 or more people scheduled to participate.
- Programs with fewer than 4 trainees will **not** receive reports but may occasionally receive aggregate reports encompassing several years.
- The survey results can be reviewed on the ACGME WebAds site.

Non-ACGME surveys

- Many programs use internal surveys to assess burnout and wellness.
- Annual Resident/Fellow forums are a requirement from ACGME and may be useful to obtain additional feedback from an institutional level.
- Surveys can be a useful tool to gather information, but as most A/I programs are small, feedback on sensitive items where true anonymity is unlikely can be challenging.

Feedback

- **Trainees** receive written feedback from faculty through rotation assessments.
- **Trainees** may also receive feedback from their co-fellows, patient surveys, and ancillary staff.
- **Faculty** receive feedback from the trainees in the form of the ACGME survey and may receive via MyEvaluations or similar programs.
- *Ad hoc* anonymous surveys may be useful to garner opinions about specific programmatic aspects, perception of teaching techniques, or the general health and wellness of the program.

Suggestions

- If your program is >4 trainees, use the ACGME surveys. These compare to national averages and can help you identify potential problems.
- Some institutions also distribute wellness surveys to all trainees. Find out what your fellows are already receiving so you do not duplicate and create survey fatigue.