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The American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) Foundation has announced a new program for family medicine residency faculty to become experts in competency based medical education (CBME) in graduate medical education.

Background: The new Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) family medicine residency standards require a transition to Competency-Based Medical Education (CBME) effective July 2023; this will require substantial work by the specialty about its definitions of competence and assessments as well as faculty development for residency faculty who will be participating in this. Some of the family medicine organizations will be providing specialty-wide support and faculty development but there is also a need to “train the trainers”— to identify and support development of residency faculty members and program directors who will provide expertise for the whole specialty, not only in their own residencies, but also potentially in other affiliated residencies or in developing residency networks.

Description of Scholarship: The ABFM Foundation Excellence in Graduate Medical Education scholarships will provide the best available training in CBME, to be taught in person by Dr. Eric Holmboe and his staff at the ACGME. Dr. Holmboe is perhaps the world’s foremost expert on CBME and an outstanding teacher in his own right. The course is 5 days long, with a great deal of hands-on learning and small group interaction. Feedback from family physician educators and the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Residency Program Solutions (RPS) advisors has been outstanding, with experienced residency educators describing it as one of the best educational experiences they have ever had.

This course is normally offered once a year in the fall, however; Dr. Holmboe has opened a special course to support the adoption of CBME in family medicine. This 5-day course will be offered **May 7-12, 2023 at the ACGME office in Chicago, IL**. To support tuition, travel, hotel, and a daily food allowance for this course, the ABFM Foundation Excellence in Graduate Medical Education scholarships will provide up to \$5,000 to eligible recipients. At this time, we do not have the final description for the special course, but it will be similar to the attached brochure.

Deadline: Please email completed applications to Jay Fetter (jfetter@theabfm.org) by **December 16, 2022**. Applications must include a 1-2-page letter of interest, CV and a letter of support from the supervising residency director or departmental chair. The ABFM Foundation will select residency directors or core faculty based on their depth of experience and excellence in residency education, as well as their commitment and opportunity to work with and support other family medicine residencies. All applications received by the deadline will be reviewed in early 2023.

Terms: Scholarship awardees will be required to submit expense accounts, provide feedback on the initial course, and within one year, document their CBME work in their own residency as well as other residencies. The ABFM Foundation may support additional candidates for the fall 2023 course if demand exceeds capacity of the spring 2023 course.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

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