David C. Leach Award



In honor of former ACGME Executive Director David C. Leach, MD (1997-2007) and his contributions to resident education and well-being, the ACGME created this award in 2008. This award is unique in that it acknowledges and honors residents, fellows, and resident/fellow teams and their contributions to graduate medical education. The ACGME congratulates the 2017 recipients of the David C. Leach Award.



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About the project:

"NRG (pronounced 'energy') is a smartphone application that was originally conceived as a means to improve communication and decrease the burden of in-pocket reference materials and survival guides for resident physicians. The name NRG was derived from "Navy Residency Guide."

"The NRG smartphone application contains reference materials directly related to patient care. Residents contribute relevant reference and study materials based on the needs of their individual education programs. The increased efficiency of having access to a high volume of reference materials in one streamlined location has proven to be a valuable asset. Additionally, NRG contains a comprehensive departmental and staff pager directory, eliminating the need to track down contact information for physicians or departments in the institution.

"This implementation of the NRG smartphone application has improved education within the residency programs. Each individual residency program has the opportunity to tailor the application to their needs. GME programs have included study guides, pertinent journal articles and quick reference guides for educational use by residents."