

dear residents

Thanks For All That You Do

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Dear Residents,

I wish you Happy Thanksgiving. And to those who were at the bedside this weekend, I also want to say Thanksforworking. Our profession is one of many that must provide 24/7/365 essential services. It's the nature of what we do, predicated by the unpredictability of health and illness, the vulnerability of physiology, and the inherent urgency of infections, injuries, and trauma. Layered within, there is the sheer weight of chronic disease and disability, the economic burden from the loss of vitality, and the social toll of illness. This is our landscape, and it defines our mission.

I know that you have relieved pain, killed bacteria, busted clots, alleviated edema, corrected electrolytes, and eased dyspnea. You have comforted many. The recipients of your skills and efforts thank you. I know that you can feel their gratitude.

Thank yourselves too. For the work you put in to get here, for the work you do to hone your knowledge and skills and for the lifelong work you will do to be always useful to others. This is a gift.

And I am grateful for you. A residency program is defined by its residents. You are what makes us what we are. A fine place to train, learn, and give to others. A place to seek wisdom, develop courage and to gain the ultimate confidence that you can do anything.

With gratitude,

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