

## **Surgical Residents Surveyed; Concerns About Experience & Confidence**

A recent [survey of general surgery residents](#) [1] was published online by the Journal of the American College of Surgeons yesterday. More than 4200 residents who took the 2008 American Board of Surgery In-Service Training Exam (ABSITE) responded. This accounts for 82% of all categorical (five-year) general surgery trainees. The authors of the paper represented the American Board of Surgery, Yale University and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

Compared to those in university programs, residents in community hospital programs had more positive responses to questions about satisfaction with their operative experience, didactic teaching and support from their programs.

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