Dear ladies and gentlemen,

My name is Franziska Schmidt. Together with the AO Educational Institute we would like to ask if you could forward the below included email to your members, especially residents.

The aim of this study is to learn about regional differences in resident training programs and resident education on the topic of spine surgery and to identify possible areas for improvement.

We appreciate your help!

Best regards,

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Dear orthopedic and/or neurosurgical resident,

You are being asked to take part in this global research study on spine surgery education. This study is supported by the AO Educational Institute.

If you are a resident in orthopedics, neurosurgery or spine surgery, we would like your input.

The aim of this study is to learn about regional differences in resident training programs and

resident education on the topic of spine surgery and to identify possible areas for

improvement.

Your participation in this survey is completely voluntary and you may withdraw your

participation at any time for any reason. The data will be anonymized, and your email will not

be linked to the results. All analyses will be performed on aggregated data. The findings will

be published in a clinical or surgical education journal.

Please follow the link below to participate in the survey

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z39TQJ5

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Please share this with all your neurosurgical and orthopedic colleagues in training. If you are

not a neurosurgery or orthopedic provider, please forward to this to members in your

department and any collaborative networks within the neurosurgery and orthopedic

department.

Best regards,

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