General Practitioners Defence Fund



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Dear Colleague

Shaping the future of the GPDF | Your help with an independent research programme to hear LMC views

This is a time of considerable transformation and change for the GPDF as it develops into a focused, LMC-led organisation.

For this reason, it is vitally important that we hear your views on a range of issues as we redefine the GPDF's future purpose.

We announced today (9 March), at the LMC Conference in Liverpool, that the GPDF has engaged an independent research company, James Law Research Associates, to conduct a survey of LMC views.

Specifically, we are keen to include the views of the Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chief Executive (and/or Chief Officer) from each LMC, and anyone else that your LMC Executive team feel should participate. To be clear, this might include members of LMC staff, but it is not intended that the survey include individual, non-office holding GPs within an LMC.

The survey will be available via an online link issued to the main contact email address GPDF have on file for each LMC. *Please could I ask that you forward the email, when it arrives, to the appropriate people in your LMC.* Unfortunately, the GPDF does not yet hold a full database of email addresses for all LMC Office Bearers and Executive teams.

However, as a potential respondent yourself, if you would like to take part, you can register your interest and email address today via this link: http://tiny.cc/GPDF2018

You will be asked to confirm your name, email address, and LMC area. I would stress that the research is confidential and independent. The GPDF will not be advised of the identity of those who take part and individual comments will not be attributed.

Finally, if you have any questions or comments regarding the research, please feel free to contact our research team via email at jim.law@jlral.co.uk or marion.dodds@jlral.co.uk

This is a very important programme for the GPDF as we need to base our future focus and activities directly towards LMC needs. Therefore, we are grateful for your active participation, and your encouragement of others to share their views.

With kind regards

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