INTERNAL MEDICINE RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES ON CARING FOR PATIENTS AFTER RETURN OF SPONTANEOUS CIRCULATION AFTER CARDIAC ARREST

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BACKGROUND
• 292,000 adult in-hospital cardiac arrests annually in the US.
• Internal Medicine Residents (IMRs) report a lack of confidence in managing cardiac arrest resuscitation.
• Little investigation into resident perspectives on managing patients immediately after cardiac arrest.

METHODS
• We conducted an anonymous online survey of IMRs, PCCM, and ICU RNs at the University of Washington.
• Questions related to demographics, previous experience, and fund of knowledge.

CONCLUSIONS
• There is a lack of confidence and experience amongst IMRs at UW in managing patients in the immediate post ROSC setting.
• There is room for growth in the development of post ROSC curricula for IMRs.

LIMITATIONS
• Survey was conducted at one training program.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS
• Implementing a post return of spontaneous circulation checklist.
• Develop a post ROSC curriculum.
• Post checklist and curriculum survey of IMRs.

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