SPECIAL ARTICLE

Report of the Multisociety Task Force on GI Training

In 2008, the major gastroenterology and hepatology societies—American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD), American College of Gastroenterology Gastroenterological (ACG), American (AGA), and American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE)—created a 9-member task force to evaluate the current gastroenterology training model and make recommendations as to how it might be changed to better accommodate trainees' interests in specific areas of gastroenterology and hepatology practice. Each society appointed 2 representatives to the committee and agreed that Dr Lawrence S. Friedman, not representing any society, would chair the committee. The AGA agreed to provide administrative support for the group.

One rationale for establishing the task force was the emergence of various issues concerning training, especially certification in transplant hepatology and proposals ABIM' 1. H

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