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Dear Dr. Vrochides:

On behalf of the Brown Medical School, I am pleased to inform you that you have received a Dean's Teaching Excellence Award for your outstanding teaching in the Clerkship in Surgery. These awards were established during the 2000-2001 academic year to recognize exemplary teaching by campus-based and clinical faculty and residents in preclinical courses and in core clerkships. As a recipient, you will find enclosed a Teaching Excellence certificate of recognition. I will be presenting a Teaching Excellence award pin to you at a reception at the Faculty Club on July 19th from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. in recognition of your achievements. Please see the enclosed invitation. This letter of commendation will also be placed in your faculty file. The selection criteria for the award is outlined below:

To receive the award, a preclinical faculty member must 1) lecture two or more times in a course or in related courses during the academic year; and/or 2) facilitate small-group learning for at least four sessions; and 3) receive on the classroom teaching assessment forms that students complete a rating of 1.75 or less on a 5 point scale (1 = excellent) for first and second-year courses or is equivalent in clinically-based first-or second-year courses.

Clerkship directors will determine the selection criteria for the teaching excellence award in their core clerkship. Both faculty and residents are eligible for the award.

Again, congratulations on receiving the Dean's Teaching Award. I greatly appreciate your commitment to teaching and to improving medical education at the Medical School, and I look forward to seeing you at the July 19th reception.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Besdine, M.D.

cc: S. Rounds, S. Smith