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Dear colleagues,

I would like to inform you of a national campaign that one of my medical students is spearheading. She is trying to raise awareness about hijab in the operating room to ensure that hijab-wearing medical students are not driven away from pursuing a career in surgery due to hardships they might have faced during their surgical rotation or shadowing experiences. I would like to humbly invite you to check out the work that she's been doing, [HijabInTheOR.com](http://HijabInTheOR.com). She has created resources, guides, and is developing more information to ensure that barriers no longer exist for hijab-wearing women.

Please feel free to engage with this information, reflect on the evolution of inclusivity in medicine, and share this content with your network - including your Office of Diversity and Inclusion, your clerkship directors, any hijab-wearing medical students in your institution, HR managers, and nurse OR managers. If you have any questions, contact her through her website, [HijabInTheOR.com](http://HijabInTheOR.com).

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## Hijab In The OR

[hijabintheor.com](http://hijabintheor.com)

Surgery, a field that is ever-evolving, has historically been one that is male-dominated. Over the last decade, the number of female medical students and trainees has significantly increased, and now females make up the majority of medical students. However, the rate of females pursuing surgery and subsurgical specialties has not followed the same trend. Barriers&hellip;

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