Council & committee applications

Application instructions

The AMA is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion in every facet of organized medicine. The organization encourages diverse candidates, such as historically underrepresented minorities, women, LGBTQ and international medical graduates to apply for positions on AMA councils/committees.

Council application deadline and instructions

- Sponsoring organizations should determine the candidate’s willingness to serve, if selected, prior to submitting applications.
- Physician members of AMA councils/committees must be active members of the AMA at the time of election/appointment and throughout the duration of their term.
- Applications for AMA councils/committees should be presented on the elected or appointed council/committee form, as appropriate.
- Applications for AMA councils are due on March 15 every year unless otherwise noted. (Applications for AMPAC are due on July 15—every even year).
- All pertinent information must be provided within the space provided on the form. If applying for multiple councils, please complete a separate form for each submission.
- The sponsor's statement should be at least 50 words and no more than 250.
- Please enclose executive curriculum vitae (no more than three pages) for the candidate, with the application form.
- One letter of support or endorsement may be included with application.
- Review carefully the AMA’s Conflict of Interest Policy and Council Principles (PDF), which provide explanatory text and examples. If you are the one seeking an AMA leadership position, you must complete and return the conflict of interest disclosure form that will be sent to you.
- If seeking a leadership position in a separate organization, please also review their disclosure form and determine if you will be able to comply with that organization’s conflict of interest policy.
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If applying for a position on the AMA Council on Legislation, AMA Council on Long Range Planning and Development or AMA Political Action Committee, please submit the appointed council application form:

- Appointed council application (DOC)

If applying for a position on the AMA Council of Constitution and Bylaws, AMA Council of Ethical and Judicial Affairs, AMA Council on Medical Education, AMA Council on Medical Service or the AMA Council on Science and Public Health, please submit the elected application form:

- Elected council application (DOC)

Review documents

While reviewing these documents, consider if there are pending or anticipated matters that may occur during your term of office which could adversely impact your license to practice medicine or ability to discharge fully the duties you are seeking—without embarrassment to yourself, the AMA or the other organization.

The Office of General Counsel will conduct an enhanced due-diligence review for all announced candidates for election to Councils, that includes:

- An internet search by name
- A check of the AMA Physician Professional Data™ (AMA-PPD), formerly known as AMA Masterfile, to confirm current unrestricted licensure in at least one state
- A check of the National Practitioner Data Bank to confirm the absence of any adverse reports written within the past five years
- Confirmation with the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for any exclusions from federal health care programs

If you have questions about these documents (including how to complete the conflict of interest disclosure form), contact Beth LaRocca, senior division counsel, at elizabeth.larocca@ama-assn.org the AMA’s Office of General Counsel.

Please email nominations by March 15 to: bot@ama-assn.org.
For additional information contact: Nadine Siewnarine at (312) 464-4468.

Students, please visit the Medical Student Opportunities page for information and the application form.

**Election process and rules**

Officers, trustees and four councils are elected by the House of Delegates at the Annual Meeting. This process allows delegates the opportunity to become acquainted with the candidates and their views. Applications for these offices are widely solicited throughout the Federation. The campaigns are often spirited and are conducted under rules established by the House, which are modified from time to time. Elections are by secret ballot and are under the supervision of the Committee on Rules and Credentials and the chief teller, who are appointed by the speaker and vice speaker. Individuals intending to seek election should review the election process and campaign rules document (PDF).

**AMA council rosters**

- 2022-2023 Councils of the American Medical Association (PDF)

**AMA Political Action Committee**

- Appointed by the Board of Trustees. Term length 2 years; maximum tenure 4 terms
- Resident/Student term length 2 years; maximum tenure 2 terms

**Current members and eligibility for reappointment**

- Azrak, Elie C.: 2024
- Buckley, Brooke M. (chair): 2024*
- Carniol, Paul J.: 2024
- Cobb, Juliana, (student): 2024
- Correa, Ricardo R.: 2024
- Galper, Benjamin Z.: 2024*
- Gordon, Victoria (resident): 2024
- MacLeod, Bruce A.: 2024
- Peterson, Elizabeth L. (secretary): 2024
- Rockower, Stephen J.: 2024
- Roy, Sion K.: 2024

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Tildon-Burton, Janice E.: 2024

Council on Constitution and Bylaws

- Elected by the House of Delegates. Term length 4 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Resident term length 2 years
- Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

- Abraham, Jerry P., (vice chair): 2025
- Armstrong, John H., (ex officio): 2024
- Bair, Mark N., (chair): 2027
- Bhagavan, Druv, (student): 2024
- Colone, Pino D.: 2024*
- Contogiannis, Mary Anne: 2025
- Egbert, Lisa B., (ex officio): 2024
- Pfeifle, Daniel O., (resident): 2025
- Reilly Sr., Kevin C.: 2026
- Thornquist, Steven C.: 2026

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election

Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs

- Nominated by the president-elect and elected by the House of Delegates. Term length 7 years; maximum tenure 1 term
- Resident/Student term length 2 years; maximum tenure 2 terms

Current members and eligibility for re-election

- Brendel, Rebecca W.: 2026
- Derse, Arthur R.: 2030
- Doerr, Sophia A., (student): 2025
- Fleming, David A., (chair): 2024*
- Knight, Michael L.: 2029
- Lazarus, Jeremy A., (vice chair): 2025

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Reaves, Larry E.: 2027
Sulmasy, Daniel P.: 2028
Zaidi, Danish M. (resident): 2024

*Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election

Council on Legislation

- Appointed by the Board of Trustees. Term length 1 year; maximum tenure 8 terms

Current members and eligibility for reappointment

- Appareddy, VijayaLakshmi: 2024
- Bombaugh, Maryanne C.: 2024
- Brunson, Claude D.: 2024
- Chafty, Michael D.: 2024
- Floyd, Gary W., (chair): 2024
- Goldberg, Ross F.: 2024
- Henry, Tracey L.: 2024
- Kataria, Tripti C.: 2024
- Smith, Sarah Mae (student): 2024*
- Spadafore, Sophia E. (resident): 2024
- Stroink, Ann R.: 2024
- Van Beek, Marta (vice chair): 2024

*Maximum tenure; not eligible for reappointment

Council on Long-Range Planning & Development

- Appointed by the Board of Trustees and the House of Delegates Speaker. Term length 4 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Resident term length 2 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for reappointment

Appointed by BOT
- Cabbabe, Edmond B., (chair): 2025
- Chou, Clarence P.: 2024
- Guerrieri, Renato A., (student): 2024*
- Massingill, G. Sealy: 2027
- Thal, Gary D., (chair): 2025

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for reappointment

Appointed by Speaker of HOD

- Berger, Michelle A., (vice chair): 2026
- Kief, Jan M.: 2027
- Pryor, Shannon P.: 2024*
- Strohbeen, Stephanie M., (resident): 2024

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for reappointment

Council on Medical Education

- Elected by the House of Delegates. Term length 4 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Resident term length 2 years
- Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

- Baker, Sherri S.: 2025
- Caverzagie, Kelly J.: 2027
- Correa Marquez, Ricardo R.: 2027
- Edje, Lou C.: 2025
- Goldberg, Robert B.: 2025
- Gummaluri, Revati, (student): 2024*
- Jumper, Cynthia A., (chair): 2024*
- Kilgore, Shannon M.: 2027
- Lee, Daniel C., (resident): 2025
- Mathew, Suja M.: 2026
- Tomei, Krystal L., (chair-elect): 2025
- Young, Daniel M.: 2027

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Council on Medical Service

- Elected by the House of Delegates. Term length 4 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Resident term length 2 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

- Burgess, A. Patrice: 2027
- Chaoui, Alain A.: 2025
- Chen, Steven: 2024
- Chu, Betty S.: 2026
- Coombs, Alice: 2027
- Eiting, Erick A.: 2024
- Epstein, Stephen K., (chair-elect): 2026
- Goel, Ravi D.: 2026
- Iyer, Hari S., (resident): 2024
- Jeffers, Lynn L.C.: 2024*
- Magrath, Justin W., (student): 2024*
- Rege, Sheila (chair): 2026

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election

Council on Science and Public Health

- Elected by the House of Delegates. Term length 4 years; maximum tenure 2 terms
- Resident term length 2 years
- Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

- Bansal, Ankush K.: 2027
- Bisgrove, Joanna T.: 2026
- Carlo, John T., (chair-elect): 2025
- Cohen, Joshua M.: 2026
- Cundiff, David R.: 2026
- Dionesotes, Karen, (resident): 2024
LaPlante, Mary E.: 2025
Mendelsohn, Marc: 2027
Osbourne-Roberts, Tamaan K.: 2027
Ranasinghe, Padmini D.: 2026
Welsh, David J., (chair): 2024*
Woodyard De Brito, Kirsten C., (student): 2024*

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election