Council & committee nominations

Nomination process instructions

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

- Sponsoring organizations should determine the candidate’s willingness to serve, if selected, prior to submitting nominations.
- 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.
- Nominations for AMA councils/committees should be presented on the council/committee nomination form.

**Nominations for AMA Councils are due on March 15** every year unless otherwise noted. (Nominations for AMPAC are due on July 15—every even year).

- All pertinent information must be provided within the space provided on the form. Please complete multiple forms for multiple nominations.
- The sponsor’s statement should be at least 50 words and no more than 250.
- Please enclose executive curriculum vitae (no more than 3 pages) for the candidate, with the nomination form.
- Maximum of 2 letters of support or endorsement may be included with nomination packet.
- 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.

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 Masterfile to confirm current unrestricted licensure in at least 1 state
- A check of the National Practitioner Data Bank to confirm the absence of any adverse reports written within the past 5 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.

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

Election process and rules

Officers, trustees and 4 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. Nominations 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

2021-2022 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.: 2022
Buckley, Brooke M. (secretary; liaison to COL): 2022
Carniol, Paul J.: 2022
Correa, Ricardo R.: 2022
Edmonson, Hart L. (student): 2022
Galper, Benjamin Z.: 2022
Imbeau, Stephen A. (chair): 2022
Milam, James L.: 2022
Peterson, Elizabeth L.: 2022
Rockower, Stephen J.: 2022
Tildon-Burton, Janice E.: 2022

Council on Constitution and Bylaws

Elected by the House of Delegates
Term length: 4 years
Maximum tenure: 2 terms

Current members and eligibility for re-election

Abraham, Jerry P.: 2025
Austin, Patricia L.: 2022*
Bair, Mark N.: 2023
Colone, Pino D. (chair): 2024
Contogiannis, Mary Anne: 2025
Egbert, Lisa B. (ex-officio): 2022
Libby, Christopher (resident): 2024
Reilly Sr., Kevin C. (vice chair): 2022
Rigby, Michael, J. (student): 2022*
Scott, Bruce A. (ex-officio): 2022

* 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 term length: 3 years
Maximum tenure: 2 terms

Student term length: 2 years
Maximum tenure: 2 terms

Current members and eligibility for re-election

Brendel, Rebecca W.: 2026
Fleming, David A.: 2024
Lazarus, Jeremy A.: 2025
Mumford, Kelsey C. (student): 2023
Reaves, Larry E.: 2027
Rosenau, Alexander M. (chair): 2022*
Schwartz, Peter A. (vice chair): 2023
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: 2022
- Benoit, Molly (student): 2022*
- Bombaugh, Maryanne C.: 2022
- Buckley, Brooke M. (AMPAC liaison to COL): 2022
- Carpenter, Mary S. (chair): 2022
- Floyd, Gary W.: 2022
- Goldberg, Ross F.: 2022
- Heine, Marilyn J. (chair): 2022*
- Kataria, Tripti C.: 2022
- Kelkar, Amar H. (resident): 2022
- Smith, Heather A. (chair-elect): 2022
- Stroink, Ann R.: 2022
- Van Beek, Marta: 2022

* 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: 3-years
Maximum tenure: 2 terms

Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for reappointment

Appointed by BOT

- Asri, Rijul (student): 2022*
- Cabbabe, Edmond B. (vice chair): 2025
Chou, Clarence P. (chair): 2024
Massingill, G. Sealy: 2023
Thal, Gary D.: 2025

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for reappointment

Appointed by Speaker of HOD

Armstrong, John H.: 2025
Berger, Michelle A.: 2022
Kief, Jan M.: 2023
Meyer, Benjamin D. (resident): 2022
Pryor, Shannon P.: 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: 3 years

Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

Baker, Sherri S.: 2025
Caverzagie, Kelly J.: 2023
Douglas, Sharon P.: 2023
Edje, Lou C.: 2025
Goldberg, Robert B.: 2025
Jumper, Cynthia A.: 2024
Khazanchi, Rohan (student): 2022*
Kilgore, Shannon M.: 2023
Rao, Niranjan V. (chair): 2022*
Savage, David J. (resident): 2023
Tomei, Krystal L.: 2025
Williams, John P. (chair-elect): 2023

URL: https://www.ama-assn.org/house-delegates/ama-elections/council-committee-nominations
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* Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election

Council on Medical Service

Elected by the House of Delegates
Term length: 4 years
Maximum tenure: 2 terms

Resident term length: 3 years
Maximum tenure: 2 terms

Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

Antar, Hussein (student): 2022*
Burgess, A. Patrice: 2023
Chen, Steven: 2024
Chaoui, Alain A.: 2025
Chu, Betty S.: 2022
Coombs, Alice: 2023
Eiting, Erick A.: 2024
Epstein, Stephen K.: 2022
Jeffers, Lynn L.C (chair-elect).: 2024
Lockhart, Asa C. (chair): 2022
Rege, Sheila: 2022
Srinivas, Megan L. (resident): 2023

* 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: 3 years
Student appointed annually

Current members and eligibility for re-election

Bageac, Devin (student), 2022*
Carlo, John T.: 2025
Deep, Noel N. (chair-elect): 2023
Ding, Alexander (chair): 2024
Dionesotes, Karen, (resident): 2024
Geraci-Ciardullo, Kira A.: 2022*
LaPlante, Mary E.: 2025
Miller, Michael M.: 2022*
Osbourne-Roberts, Tamaan K.: 2023
Ranasinghe, Padmini D.: 2022
Varnum, Corliss A.: 2023
Welsh, David J.: 2024

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election