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.

Council application deadline and instructions

- 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.
Download council and committee applications

Nominate yourself or a colleague for a position on the AMA councils and committees.

- Elected council application (DOC)
- Appointed 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 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.

For additional information contact: Nadine Siewnarine (312) 464-4468

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

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.: 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
- Yap, Anna L. (resident): 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
- Bair, Mark N. (vice chair): 2023
- Colone, Pino D. (chair): 2024
- Contogiannis, Mary Anne: 2025
- Egbert, Lisa B. (ex-officio): 2023
- Hou, Titus (student): 2023
- Libby, Christopher (resident): 2024
- Reilly Sr., Kevin C. (chair): 2026
- Scott, Bruce A. (ex-officio): 2023*
- 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 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 (vice chair)
- Knight, Michael L.: 2029
- Lazarus, Jeremy A.: 2025
- Mumford, Kelsey C. (student): 2023*
- Reaves, Larry E.: 2027
- Schwartz, Peter A. (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: 2023
- Bombaugh, Maryanne C.: 2023
- Buckley, Brooke M. (AMPAC liaison to COL): 2023
- Carpenter, Mary S.: 2023*
- Floyd, Gary W. (vice chair): 2023
- Goldberg, Ross F.: 2023
- Gatti, John R., (student): 2023
- Henry, Tracey L.: 2023
- Kataria, Tripti C.: 2023
- Smith, Heather A. (chair): 2023*
- Spadafore, Sophia E. (resident): 2023
- Stroink, Ann R.: 2023
- Van Beek, Marta: 2023

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

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for reappointment

Appointed by Speaker of HOD

- Armstrong, John H.: 2025
- Berger, Michelle A.: 2026
- Kief, Jan M.: 2023
- 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: 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. (chair-elect): 2024
- Kilgore, Shannon M.: 2023
- Mathew, Suja M.: 2026
- Savage, David J. (resident): 2023
- Siddiqui, Neha (student): 2023*
- Tomei, Krystal L.: 2025
- Williams, John P. (chair): 2023*
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

- Burgess, A. Patrice: 2023
- Chen, Steven: 2024
- Chaoui, Alain A.: 2025
- Chu, Betty S.: 2026
- Coombs, Alice: 2023
- Eiting, Erick A.: 2024
- Epstein, Stephen K.: 2026
- Goel, Ravi D.: 2026
- Jeffers, Lynn L.C. (chair): 2024
- Rege, Sheila (chair-elect): 2026
- Shivakumar, Vinita (student): 2023
- 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

- Bisgrove, Joanna T.: 2026

* Maximum tenure; not eligible for re-election
Carlo, John T.: 2025
Cundiff, David R.: 2026
Cohen, Joshua M.: 2026
Deep, Noel N. (chair): 2023
Dionesotes, Karen, (resident): 2024
LaPlante, Mary E.: 2025
Osbourne-Roberts, Tamaan K.: 2023
Ranasinghe, Padmini D.: 2022
Varnum, Corliss A.: 2023
Welsh, David J. (chair-elect): 2024
Wong, Christopher K. (student): 2023

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