About the Academic Physicians Section (APS)

The AMA Academic Physicians Section (APS) provides AMA member academic physicians the opportunity to participate in forming AMA policy through debate and a vote in the AMA’s House of Delegates (HOD).

Join now to play an important role in developing and reviewing AMA policy of concern to academic physicians and medical schools. As a member of the APS, you also have the opportunity to stay informed of the work of the AMA’s Accelerating Change in Medical Education initiative and to apply for professional development opportunities through service on AMA and leading medical education bodies at the national level.

Find out about the APS and its work

Former APS Governing Council member Ken Simons, MD, leads a 30-minute video on the work of the APS and how it serves the interests of academic physicians nationwide. Make sure to also review the APS member guide (PDF).

Advocate for AMA policy that reflects your concerns and issues

Over the years, the APS has developed many resolutions on various topics of interest to medical education and academic physicians; many of these are now part of AMA policy which informs the association’s advocacy efforts and strategic initiatives. The APS also reviews proposed reports and resolutions to come before the AMA House of Delegates at its annual and interim meetings and offers its input, testimony and voting on behalf of the interests of medical schools and academic physicians.

Find out how the APS is making an impact and the work of the Council on Medical Education.
Learn about the Accelerating Change in Medical Education Initiative

The AMA is collaborating with medical schools nationwide to accelerate change in medical education by creating a system that trains physicians to meet the needs of today’s patients and to anticipate future changes.

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