

## Composition of the RVS Update Committee (RUC)

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The RUC represents the entire medical profession, with 22 of its 32 members appointed by major national medical specialty societies. The members include those recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties, those with a large percentage of physicians in patient care and those that account for high percentages of Medicare expenditures.

The RUC also includes four seats that rotate on a two-year basis, with two reserved for an internal medicine subspecialty, one for a primary care representative and one for any other specialty. Furthermore, there are seats for the RUC chair, the co-chair of the RUC Healthcare Professionals Advisory Committee Review Board, and representatives from the AMA, American Osteopathic Association, the Chair of the Practice Expense Review Committee and CPT® Editorial Panel.

The AMA Board of Trustees selects the RUC chair and the AMA representative to the RUC. Specialty societies nominate RUC individual members, who the AMA must also approve.

Chair

American Medical Association Representative

CPT Editorial Panel Representative

American Osteopathic Association Representative

Health Care Professionals Advisory Committee Representative

Practice Expense Review Committee Representative

- Anesthesiology
- Cardiology
- Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Dermatology
- Emergency Medicine
- Family Medicine
- General Surgery
- Geriatrics

- Internal Medicine\*
- Nephrology\*
- Neurology
- Neurosurgery
- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Osteopathic Medicine
- Otolaryngology
- Pathology
- Pediatrics
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- Physical Therapy
- Plastic Surgery
- Psychiatry
- Pulmonary Medicine\*
- Radiology
- Urology
- Vascular Surgery\*

\* Indicates rotating seat

## Current RUC Members

RUC Chairperson: Ezequiel Silva III, MD

American Medical Association: Peter Hollmann, MD

CPT Editorial Panel: Lawrence Simon, MD

Health Care Professional Advisory Committee: Richard Rausch, DPT, MBA

Practice Expense Subcommittee: Scott Manaker, MD

American Academy of Dermatology: Scott Collins, MD

American Academy of Family Physicians: Thomas Weida, MD

American Academy of Neurology: Marc Raphaelson, MD

American Academy of Ophthalmology: Jeffrey P. Edelstein, MD

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons: Dale Blasier, MD

American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery: Bradley Marple, MD

American Academy of Pediatrics: Margie Andreae, MD

American Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation: Matthew Grierson, MD

American Association of Neurological Surgeons: G. Edward Vates, MD

American College of Cardiology: James Blankenship, MD

American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST)/American Thoracic Society (ATS): Omar Hussain, MD\*

American College of Emergency Physicians: John H. Proctor, MD

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists: Gregory DeMeo, MD

American College of Physicians: M. Douglas Leahy, MD

American College of Radiology: William D. Donovan, MD, MPH, FACR

American College of Surgeons: Christopher Senkowski, MD, FACS

American Geriatrics Society: Audrey Chun, MD

American Osteopathic Association: Amy Aronsky, DO

American Psychiatric Association: Gregory Harris, MD

American Society of Anesthesiologists: Amr Abouleish, MD, MBA

American Society of Plastic Surgeons: James C. Waldorf, MD

American Urological Association: Kyle Richards, MD

College of American Pathologists: David Wilkinson, MD

Primary Care Rotating Seat: Donna Sweet, MD\*

Renal Physicians Association: Adam J. Weinstein, MD\*



Society of Thoracic Surgeons: Joseph Cleveland, MD

Society for Vascular Surgery: David Han, MD\*

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