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The American Medical Association (AMA) is actively seeking an attorney, preferably with two or more years of litigation or policy experience, to work with the Litigation Center of the AMA as its 2022-2023 Litigation Center Fellow.

AMA fellow project

The AMA Litigation Center fellow will design a project to address the issue of underenforcement of laws passed to protect patients, physicians and the public health. The fellow will work with AMA staff to research gaps in compliance or enforcement of enacted state and federal laws with the goal of designing and implementing an advocacy strategy, which may include litigation, to reduce noncompliance and underenforcement. The project must further AMA policy.

Possible topics could include but are not limited to:

- Insurer compliance with network adequacy requirements under state law
- Gaps in state and federal firearm laws
- Mental health and substance use disorder parity enforcement
- Federal and state antitrust enforcement and compliance
- Compliance with Medicaid eligibility determination and payment rules
- Enforcement of environmental regulations implemented to protect the public health
- Privacy violations or discriminatory design relating to emerging technologies in health care

The AMA Litigation Center fellow will work within the AMA Office of General Counsel. The fellow will also have the opportunity to build relationships within multiple AMA departments and build coalitions with key stakeholders outside of the AMA.

Fellowship expectations



Candidates must be enrolled full-time in an ABA-accredited LLM program in health law and have exceptional academic credentials and health law-related research interests in areas like public health law, domestic health care law, and regulatory impacts on health, health equity and human rights. Preferred candidates will have previous litigation or policy experience, and knowledge or experience in aspects of national health law or medical ethics.

The AMA Litigation Center fellow will be expected to coordinate work hours via remote technology with AMA staff for 15 to 20 hours per week, for a total of 560 hours. In addition to the fellow's project, the fellow is expected to attend relevant AMA meetings, and may also help prepare Litigation Center Executive Committee memoranda and presentations, research and write legal memoranda outlining litigation strategies, and review and prepare amicus briefs as well as other legal pleadings.

The fellowship term for the 2022-2023 academic year will begin on Sept. 6, 2022, and will conclude by July 29, 2023.

Award

The AMA fellow will receive \$20,000—the award will be paid as a stipend or as part tuition scholarship depending on the applicable law school.

Application process

To apply, please send a writing sample, resume and cover letter via email to:

LLM Fellowship Committee Litigation Center American Medical Association Diana Huang
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All applications must be received by July 31, 2022. Please note that fellowship applicants must apply and be accepted into an LLM in Health Law degree program at an ABA-accredited law school as a condition of eligibility for the AMA fellowship. The fellowship committee plans to notify applicants of decisions by mid-July.

Information about Chicago-area LLM in Health Law degree programs can be found at:

- Loyola University of Chicago School of Law
- DePaul University College of Law

Contact us

For questions regarding the fellowship, contact Diana Huang, AMA Assistant General Counsel, at diana.huang@ama-assn.org.

About AMA Litigation Center

Established as a coalition in 1995 by the American Medical Association and the state medical societies, the Litigation Center helps shape the future of medicine in the nation's courtrooms.

The Litigation Center brings lawsuits, files amicus briefs and otherwise provides support or becomes actively involved in litigation of general importance to physicians and public health.

Forums range from administrative proceedings to cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and the docket of more than 500 cases encompasses the entire medical-legal landscape.