MSS June 2022 Meeting highlights

Over 450 medical students representing the Medical Student Section (MSS) Assembly convened in person, on June 9-10, 2022, in Chicago, for the 2022 Annual Meeting.

MSS elections

Congratulations to the newly elected members of the governing council. Members of the 2022-2023 MSS Governing Council include:

- Reilly Bealer—Chair
- Imaima Casubhoy—Vice chair
- Heidi Ventresca—Speaker
- Glen McClain—Vice speaker
- Ryan Englander, Section delegate
- Brittany Ikwuagwu—Section alternate delegate
- Nikita Sood—At-Large officer
- Joshua Carrasco—DEI officer
- Haidn Foster, MD—Immediate past chair

A special thank you to those governing council members who have completed their tenure including:

- Haidn Foster, MD
- Danielle Rivera, MD
- Sally Midani, MD
- Whitney Stuard, PhD
- Anna Heffron, MD, PhD
- Tristan Mackey, MD
- Jada Ohene-Agyei
- Stephanie Strohbeen, MD

Education sessions
Several educational programs were presented to MSS members including four live programs:

- How to Approach Global Health as a Medical Student, Resident, and Physician
- Establishing Trauma Informed Care as the Standard of Care
- History of Experimentation and Medical Abuse
- Protecting and Advancing Care for Transgender Patients

Additionally, there were several pre-recorded (on-demand) programs provided to students including:

- Bridging the Gap for Unhoused People: Medical Respite Care Programs
- Long-term Implications of Restricting Access to Abortion
- Overcoming Stigma: Incorporating Addiction Medicine into UME
- Promoting Financial Literacy in Minority First-generation Medical Students
- Social Media in Medicine: Effective Strategies for Networking

Visit the education sessions page for additional information on these topics and other sessions.

Policy

The MSS considered various resolutions, which were transmitted to the HOD for immediate consideration. These included:

- Addressing Adverse Effects of Active Shooter Drills on Children's Health
- AMA Funding of Political Candidates who Oppose Research-Backed Firearm Regulations
- Further Action to Respond to the Gun Violence Public Health Crisis
- Recognizing Child Poverty and the Racial Wealth Gap as Public Health Issues and Extending the Child Tax Credit for Low-Income Families
- Protecting Access to Abortion and Reproductive Healthcare
- Opposing the Censorship of Sexuality and Gender Identity Discussions in Public Schools
- Reforming the FDA Accelerated Approval Process
- Adoption of Accessible Medical Diagnostic Equipment Standards
- Addressing the Longitudinal Healthcare Needs of American Indian Children in Foster Care

For additional information on the June MSS meeting, visit the section’s agenda & resources page.