



# Hyatt Regency Chicago

## Chicago, Illinois

### June 8-9, 2018

#### APS Takes Action on AMA Policy

AMA policy review, educational sessions and networking opportunities with academic physician colleagues were part of the Academic Physicians Section (APS) meeting, June 8-9 in Chicago.

Participants—comprising deans and faculty from a wide range of medical schools, graduate medical education programs and academic health systems nationwide—voiced their opinions and reached decisions on recommendations for several reports and resolutions to be acted upon by delegates at the Annual Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates (HOD), June 9-13. Their work guides the section delegate and alternate delegate in the discussions and voting during the AMA meeting.

Issues covered included:

- For-profit medical schools or colleges
- Financial literacy for medical students and residents
- Emerging technologies (robotics and AI) in medical school education
- Suicide awareness training
- Opioid education for new trainees
- Protecting medical trainees from hazardous exposure
- Mental health disclosures on physician licensing applications

In all, the APS reviewed more than 25 business items to go before the HOD.

#### Updates on Key Nationwide Medical Education Activities

After welcome and introductions from George Mejicano, MD, the APS chair for 2017-2018, and senior associate dean for education and professor of medicine, Oregon Health and Science University School of Medicine, a number of speakers covered key issues affecting academic physicians (presentations are [available](#) on the APS website).

Among the topics covered:

- The AMA's Accelerating Change in Medical Education initiative
- The GME Milestones developed by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education
- Tips on negotiating an employment contract
- Implementing the new CMS guidance on medical student E/M documentation at your institution
- The Code of Medical Ethics and the challenge of professional identity formation
- Leadership opportunities on national medical education organizations/boards

## **Election of 2018-2019 APS Governing Council**

For the annual elections to the APS Governing Council, the section's nine-member leadership body, and the membership committee, members in attendance voted to elect the proposed slate put forward by the nomination committee, as follows:

Chair-elect	Jose Manuel de la Rosa, MD	Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Professor of Pediatrics	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine
Delegate	Kenneth B. Simons, MD	Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education and Accreditation, Executive Director and DIO, MCWAH, Inc.	Medical College of Wisconsin
Alternate delegate	Alma B. Littles, MD	Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education and Academic Affairs	Florida State University College of Medicine
Liaison to the Council on Medical Education	Cynda Ann Johnson, MD, MBA	President and Founding Dean	Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Research Institute
Member at-large	Sharon P. Douglas, MD	Associate Dean for Veterans Administration Education, Professor of Medicine	University of Mississippi School of Medicine
Member at-large	Gary M. Gaddis, MD	Associate Professor	University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine
Member at-	John L. Roberts,	Vice Dean for GME and	University of Louisville

large, membership committee member, Region 7	MD	CME	School of Medicine
Membership committee member, Region 3	Peter P. Aran, MD	Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and Chief Medical Officer	School of Community Medicine (Tulsa), University of Oklahoma College of Medicine
Membership committee member, Region 4	Charles Kent Smith, MD	Senior Associate Dean for Student Affairs, and Professor of Family Medicine and Community Health	Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
Membership committee member, Region 6	Surendra K. Varma, MD	Executive Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education & Resident Affairs, Professor and Vice Chairman, Department of Pediatrics,	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine

## **Educational Sessions**

The education component of the meeting featured several offerings, cosponsored by all AMA member sections, on cross-cutting topics such as improving health outcomes for vulnerable patient populations, sexual harassment and discrimination in medicine, and innovations in patient-centered technology. The APS also cosponsored an educational session, “How to Successfully Transition Out of Medicine and Into Retirement,” with the Senior Physicians Section.

## **Next APS Meeting**

The next meeting is November 9-10, 2018 in National Harbor, Maryland.