OMSS Representative  
Duties and Responsibilities

1. Exhibit leadership related to the needs of their patients and medical staffs (employed and volunteer physicians) at the local level.

2. Effectively represent their medical staffs’ on their felt needs and issues of concern and facilitates bringing these matters and/or related resolutions to the state OMSS/association and the national AMA-OMSS.

3. Communicate medical staff needs concisely at the local, state, and national level (AMA-OMSS).

4. Enlist others to participate in AMA and AMA-OMSS initiatives that benefit physicians and patients.

5. Take full advantage of positive changes brought about by AMA advocacy, then share this information with peers and colleagues to keep them informed about AMA activities and the positive effect of AMA membership.

6. Utilize AMA resources to educate physicians on the “AMA Principles for Strengthening the Physician-Hospital Relationships.

7. Utilize available resources to include the AMA to educate physicians on the role and importance of medical staff leadership.

8. Educate physicians on the significance of the role of physician leaders in enhancing the quality and safety of patient care.

9. At a minimum provide updates on the activities of the AMA-OMSS to their medical staffs/organizations following the Annual and Interim Meetings of the AMA-OMSS.

   Note: The AMA-OMSS has available PowerPoint presentations on the AMA-OMSS and the activities of the AMA-OMSS to assist representatives.

   As required, communicate supplemental updates on AMA-OMSS activities to their medical staff/organization.

10. As requested by the AMA-OMSS, collect physician comments and provide a summary response to their State Chair and/or the AMA-OMSS (when there is no state chair) concerning Field Reviews of Joint Commission standards.
11. Mentor other physicians to include young physicians and residents/fellows on medical staff leadership and to serve as OMSS representatives.

12. Facilitate and participate in periodic meetings of state, county, and local OMSS representatives and promote physician participation in the state and national OMSS.

13. Seek hospital and/or medical staff financial support for OMSS representative attendance at local and national meetings of the OMSS.