



2026 ADVOCACY IN ACTION WORKSHOP

October 5-7, 2026

Virtual Meeting | [Zoom Webinar](#)

Monday, October 5 | Telling Your Story and Building Community

8–8:05 p.m. CT	Welcome and introductory remarks — Jackie Liu, MSS Government Relations Advocacy Fellow (GRAF); welcome remarks by Dr. Underwood
8:05–8:15 p.m. CT	Keynote speech by career physician advocate — Speaker TBD
8:15–8:45 p.m. CT	Building Your Advocacy Narrative — Panel with RFS and YPS representatives
8:45–9 p.m. CT	Issue Brief #1: GME — Alexis Pierce; REDI Act, Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act and SPARC Act
9–9:30 p.m. CT	Community Alliances for Sustainable Change – Panel with community organizations; Christopher Libby, MD, MPH Daniel Resnick, DO Daniel Udrea, MD Abby Wilgruber, MD
9:30 p.m. CT	Closing remarks — Jackie Liu, MSS Government Relations Advocacy Fellow (GRAF)

Tuesday, October 6 | Building Your Advocacy Toolkit

8–8:15 p.m. CT	Welcome and introductory remarks — Jackie Liu; welcome remarks by Dr. Whyte
8:15–8:30 p.m. CT	For Your Toolkit: Writing Letters vs. Writing Public Comments — Philip Lynch
8:30–8:45 p.m. CT	Issue Brief #2: Medicare Reform — Bryan Hull; H.R. 9693, Patients First Act
8:45–9 p.m. CT	For Your Toolkit: Preparing Your Policy Pitch -- Chris Sherrin
9–9:15 p.m. CT	Issue Brief #3: Maternal Health – Sierra Borgun; S. 380, Rural Obstetrics Readiness Act
9:15–9:30 p.m. CT	For Your Toolkit: Social Media and Advocacy, Building the Movement – Jackie Liu, MSS Government Relations Advocacy Fellow (GRAF)
9:30 p.m. CT	Closing remarks – Jackie Liu, MSS Government Relations Advocacy Fellow (GRAF)

Day 3: Applying Skills in Action

Wednesday, October 7 | Asynchronous

Visit the [AMA website](#) for meeting details.

Participants are encouraged to apply the skills learned during Advocacy in Action through asynchronous advocacy activities, including:

- Hosting regional, chapter or individual letter-writing workshops
- Contacting state legislators to schedule meetings
- Creating social media posts highlighting advocacy efforts

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