



75 Years of Bringing Physicians  
and Communities Together

# Your **AMA FOUNDATION** UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES

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Building the future of health care

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Interim Meeting Hub





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## About the AMA Foundation

As the philanthropic arm of your AMA, our AMA Foundation believes that strong, healthy communities begin with well-supported and well-prepared physicians. We are inspired by those who dedicate their lives to caring for others and work to ensure they have the resources, education, and encouragement to succeed.

Since 1950, we have united philanthropy and medicine to advance this vision. Guided by purpose and sustained by generosity, our AMA Foundation celebrates and amplifies the stories of physicians whose dedication transforms lives. Our efforts align with your AMA's strategic arcs and provide a pathway for donors, partners, and organizations to make lasting contributions that improve care nationwide.



# YOUR AMA FOUNDATION AT THE AMA INTERIM MEETING

## AMA Foundation at the Interim Meeting

Connect with your AMA Foundation throughout the Interim Meeting to see how philanthropy fuels our mission and drives lasting change.



Interim  
Meeting Hub

- **Visit our booth** near the registration area to donate, browse informational handouts, and grab a meeting lanyard and other exclusive giveaways.
- **Access our Interim Meeting Hub** for booth hours, fundraising leaderboard updates, and more at [amafoundation.org/interim25](http://amafoundation.org/interim25).
- **Make your contribution to the Four Winds Fundraising Face-Off** by texting I25 ("I" for interim) to 41444, donating online through our meeting hub, or giving on-site at the meeting.

## Four Winds Fundraising Face-Off

To mark 75 years of impact, your AMA Foundation is holding the **Four Winds Fundraising Face-Off** at the Interim Meeting! This friendly competition invites delegates to come together in a spirit of generosity and unity as four compass zones—North, South, East, and West—rally to advance philanthropy and strengthen the work of physicians and medical students nationwide.

- **Find your compass zone** on our meeting hub, where you can also track leaderboard standings and live fundraising updates.
- Two individuals from the winning zone will be randomly **selected for complimentary airfare to A-26 in Chicago and access to our Donor Lounge**, which includes snacks, beverages, a massage, and more perks..
- **Make your contribution now by visiting our meeting hub or by texting I25 ("I" for interim) to 41444. You can also stop by our booth located near the registration area.**



Make a Gift

# YOUR AMA FOUNDATION AT THE AMA INTERIM MEETING

## AMA Foundation Booth

Our meeting booth is your go-to stop to connect with AMA Foundation staff and make your contribution to the **Four Winds Fundraising Face-Off**. Our team will be available during open hours to accept gifts and share updates on current efforts.

- **Donate on-site** to help your compass zone climb the leaderboard.
- **Grab an AMA Foundation lanyard** and other meeting giveaways.
- **Complete a short donor survey** to share your feedback and ideas to help us grow.
- **Explore our programs and initiatives**, discover ways to get involved, and sign up for our mailing list to receive a monthly newsletter and other updates.



**“Your commitment to recognizing those who serve underserved communities sends a vital message that care, integrity, and justice matter in medicine. Thank you for lifting up this work and the people it serves.”**

— Sarah Kimball, MD  
2025 Excellence in Medicine Award recipient

## VIP Donors

**VIP Donors** can pick up their lapel pin at your AMA Foundation booth to gain access to the Donor Lounge. Make your **Four Winds Fundraising Face-Off** donation while you're there.

Visit our Interim Meeting Hub at [amafoundation.org/interim25](https://amafoundation.org/interim25) for booth and lounge hours, donor reception details, and giving information. Qualify for **VIP Donor** membership by:

- Contributing \$1,000+ annually; or
- Giving for five or more consecutive years.



**VIP Donors** can collect  
a lapel pin at our booth



# GET INVOLVED, STAY CONNECTED



Volunteer Sign Up

## Volunteer Opportunities

The donors and volunteers who make up our AMA Foundation community generously share their time and expertise to help our programs thrive. Explore opportunities below or visit [amafoundation.org/volunteer](https://amafoundation.org/volunteer) to get involved.

- **Application Reviews:** Evaluate applications and nominations for the **Excellence in Medicine Awards**, **Leadership Development Institute**, and **Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarships**.
- **Medical Student Mentorship:** Members of the House of Delegates are invited to mentor a **Leadership Development Institute** student by offering guidance and professional insight.
- **Speaking Engagements:** Share the latest news and updates with fellow delegates at AMA Annual and Interim Meetings to help broaden our mission and scope of impact.

Contact Carie Lovstad, senior development officer, at [Carie.Lovstad@ama-assn.org](mailto:Carie.Lovstad@ama-assn.org) if you are interested in serving as an ambassador at the next AMA House of Delegates meeting.



**“This experience has reaffirmed my enthusiasm for the next generation of physicians and my confidence that the profession of medicine will be in excellent hands.”**

— Marilyn Heine, MD, AMA Board of Trustee  
(Pictured with Leadership Development Institute mentee, Nicole Uzzo, MD)

## Connect With Us

Discover the latest news, involvement opportunities, and program updates by joining our online community. Sign up for our mailing list and monthly newsletter at [amafoundation.org](https://amafoundation.org) and follow us on social media to see how your generosity is shaping the future of medicine.



# PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

## Current Efforts

Through strategic efforts, the AMA Foundation invests in physicians and initiatives that build the future of health care. Each area of focus reflects a belief in the power of the medical workforce to create meaningful change through education, training, and innovation that enhance medical practice and strengthen care delivery.

- Our mission is reflected across three areas of impact:
- Supporting the physician community: **Disaster Recovery Fund** and **Excellence in Medicine Awards**
- Promoting optimal health: **Grant-making initiatives, Health Equity Acceleration Fund, and LGBTQ+ Health Program**
- Advancing medical education and leadership: **Leadership Development Institute** and **Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship Program**



LDI cohort receives program certifications at the 2026 AMA Annual Meeting. Pictured (L-R back row): Kate Dickinson, MD; Zheng Hong Tan, MD; Alex Soltany, MD; Sherrita McClain-Gierach, MD; Nicole Uzzo, MD; Jeanette Rios, MD, MPH; Anisha Dash, MD; (L-R front row) Mohammed Alfarra, DO; Shiv Patel, MD; Christopher Farkouh, MD

# SUPPORTING THE PHYSICIAN COMMUNITY

## Excellence in Medicine Awards

The **Excellence in Medicine Awards (EIM)** honor physicians, health care professionals, and volunteers whose dedication uplifts patients and communities. Each recipient selects a health or medical nonprofit to receive a \$2,500 grant.

Nominations for the 2026 EIM awards are now open and close on January 30, 2026. Visit [amafoundation.org/nominate](https://amafoundation.org/nominate) to recognize an outstanding individual whose service is making a difference.

Our programming team is also in need of volunteers to review EIM applications in the new year. Sign up at [amafoundation.org/volunteer](https://amafoundation.org/volunteer).



Pictured (L-R): Carrie A. Horwitch, MD, MPH; Alex S. Keuroghlian, MD, MPH; Denise C. Foy; Tracey L. Henry, MD; Howard Pride, MD; Alexander C. Hwang, MD; Victor Ekuta, MD; Elle Lett, MD, PhD

## Disaster Recovery Fund

Established in collaboration with your AMA, the **Disaster Recovery Fund** provides direct relief to physicians and medical organizations affected by FEMA-declared natural disasters. Targeted grants help rebuild clinics, replace essential equipment, and restore access to care in areas hit hardest by crisis. Our AMA Foundation has supported four U.S. states and distributed more than \$750,000 in aid to date.

# PROMOTING OPTIMAL HEALTH OUTCOMES

## Health Equity Acceleration Fund

Through the **Health Equity Acceleration Fund**, we invest in initiatives that strengthen health systems and expand access to care nationwide. This \$2.35 million multi-year collaboration with the AMA supports projects that drive innovation, expand diversity in medicine, and create community-informed solutions in education and practice.

In Fiscal Year 2025, the fund continued to support the AMA's initiative, "Increasing Physician Workforce Diversity," which examines the impact of the reversal of affirmative action on medical education. The project unites physicians, educators, and policy leaders to explore strategies that sustain diversity and representation across academic institutions.



**"I am finishing my fellowship with new skills to lead and inform LGBTQIA+ health in rural communities."**

*— Eli Goldberg, MD*

*AMA Foundation National LGBTQ+ Health Fellow*

## LGBTQ+ Health Program

The AMA Foundation **LGBTQ+ Health Program** builds a network of physicians dedicated to improving care for LGBTQ+ patients through education, training, and collaboration. Launched five years ago with a \$2.2 million grant, this initiative strengthens LGBTQ+ health education, including the creation of 31 academic milestones that define best practices in medical training.

We're pleased to host the fourth annual LGBTQ+ Health Consortium Convening Meeting in Chicago this spring. The national gathering brings together program directors and fellows from six medical schools to advance academic and clinical excellence in LGBTQ+ health.

Registration is now open to all interested attendees and co-sponsors. Explore our event page—[tinyurl.com/lgbtqhealth2026](https://tinyurl.com/lgbtqhealth2026)—to learn more about the program, meeting agenda, early bird specials, sponsorship opportunities, and more.



# ADVANCING MEDICAL EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP

## Leadership Development Institute

Launched in 2018, the **Leadership Development Institute (LDI)** prepares rising fourth-year medical students to become purpose-driven leaders in medicine. Participants engage in a year-long curriculum focused on leadership, health policy, and advocacy—building the skills to influence organized medicine and move care forward.

Now in its seventh year, LDI continues to expand. Two cohorts—Health Care Administration and Management and Health Policy and Patient Advocacy—launched this fall with 20 students, expanding leadership pathways in organized medicine.

Applications for the 2026-27 LDI program open in February at [amafoundation.org/ldi](https://amafoundation.org/ldi). Get involved and help review applications by signing up at [amafoundation.org/volunteer](https://amafoundation.org/volunteer).



**“Thank you for investing in medical education and for playing such a vital role in shaping the compassionate, skilled physicians of tomorrow who will address our health care system's most pressing challenges.”**

— *Kristen Waters, MPH*  
*2025 Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship recipient*

## Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarships

The **Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship Program** is the AMA Foundation’s flagship initiative supporting medical students as they approach their final year of training. The program recognizes future physicians who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to community health.

Applications for 2026 scholarships are currently open and close on February 9, 2026. Visit [amafoundation.org/physicians-of-tomorrow](https://amafoundation.org/physicians-of-tomorrow) for a list of categories and commonly asked questions. Our programming team is looking for volunteers to help review applications this winter. Sign up at [amafoundation.org/volunteer](https://amafoundation.org/volunteer).

# YOUR PHILANTHROPY

The AMA Foundation's impact is made possible through the generosity of donors who believe in strengthening medicine and improving health for all. Philanthropic support fuels programs that empower physicians, support medical students, and expand access to care nationwide.

Unrestricted gifts play a vital role in sustaining these efforts, providing the flexibility to meet emerging needs and ensure program growth. Donors can also create an enduring legacy through planned giving, helping secure the future of medical education and physician leadership.

Every contribution—whether annual, recurring, or part of a planned commitment—fuels our mission to support the physician community, promotes optimal health, and advances medical education and leadership.

## Fiscal Year 2025 By the Numbers

**976**



Donors contributed

**2,145**



Gifts received

**\$205**



Average gift amount

**541**



Returning donors

**230**



New supporters

**\$2.16M+**



Fundraising revenue



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Pictured: 2025-26 Leadership Development Institute Health Care Administration and Management Cohort

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