

2025 Interim Meeting of the AMA Underrepresented in Medicine Advocacy Section (AMA-UMAS)

Friday, November 14, 2025

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center | National Harbor, MD

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8:00-9:00 AM	UMAS Council of Past Chairs & Delegates Caucus	Chesapeake 1 Ballroom Level
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	UMAS Business Meeting (includes enterprise-wide updates)	Woodrow Wilson B Ballroom Level
12-1:00 PM	American Indian & Alaska Native (AIAN) Work Group	Chesapeake 5/6 Ballroom Level
1-2:00 PM	UMAS-MSS Speed Mentoring Event	Woodrow Wilson B Ballroom Level
2:30-4:00 PM	<p>UMAS, WPS, LGBTQ+ Section Joint Educational Program</p> <p>I-25: Responding to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy Reversals - Impacts on Health Equity, Education, Research, Workforce, and Patient Care</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joseph Wright, MD, MPH, FAAP, Chief Health Equity Officer, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) - Kavita Shah Arora, MD, MBE, MS, Council Member, AMA Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs (CEJA) - Norma Poll-Hunter, PhD, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Leader, Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) <p>Program Description: Recent legislative and judicial actions have led to the reversal of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) policies across health care and academic institutions. This session explores the impacts of these changes, including restrictions on medical education, physician workforce diversity, clinical practices, and funding for health equity research. Expert panelists will examine the consequences of curriculum changes, defunded research initiatives, and bans impacting reproductive and gender-affirming care. Join us to discuss strategies for physicians and organizations to maintain health equity and respond to evolving legal</p>	Woodrow Wilson B Ballroom Level

	<p>and policy challenges.</p> <p>Learning Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Describe how DEI policy reversals affect the diversity of the health care workforce, medical education, and future physician career pathways. 2. Discuss the clinical, ethical, and financial consequences of reversing DEI-related policies, including increased health care costs and changes in care delivery for vulnerable populations (previous wording made it seem that the DEI policies were the problem). 3. Examine the impact of defunded health equity research and bans on reproductive and gender-affirming care on patient outcomes and health system practices. 	
4-5:00 PM	<p>UMAS-OMSS Joint Educational Program</p> <p>I-25: Combating Misinformation and Safeguarding Vaccine Infrastructure</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sandra Adamson Fryhofer, MD, Board Member, AMA Board of Trustees <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yolanda Lawson, MD, Penultimate NMA President and NMA Representative to the UMAS Governing Council <p>Learning Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Describe the origins of organized medicine and historical context of vaccine development. 2. Identify the roles of major regulatory agencies in vaccine approval, coverage, and policy decisions. 3. Explain current threats to vaccine infrastructure and the impact of misinformation on public trust and vaccine uptake. 4. Apply effective strategies for counseling patients about vaccination and addressing mistrust. 	Woodrow Wilson B Ballroom Level
8:00-9:00 PM	Underrepresented in Medicine (URiM) Reception	Camellia 3/4 Ballroom Level
9-10:30 PM	AMA Sections Governing Council Alumni Reception	Cherry Blossom Foyer Ballroom Level

2025 Interim Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates

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

- Health Equity Caucus (UMAS, IMGS, LGBTQ+ Section, WPS), 3 – 5 pm on Nov. 16. Magnolia 3,

Ballroom Level.

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