

Dear YPS Members,

Since the Annual Meeting in 2025, the WPS GC and its members have continued to remain active. We were able to fulfill our goals from last year of the 3 Cs (collaborations, connections, community). This year, while sustaining those efforts, our WPS aims for the 5 As ("straight As"): Action, Activism, Advancement, Advocacy, Achievement. Our governing council (GC) had the wonderful opportunity to participate in the AMA Section Leadership Retreat (SLR) in August 2025, where we networked and socialized with governing council members from all the other AMA sections (including YPS), as well as with AMA staff leaders and the Board of Trustees. The SLR provided time and space for each section governing council to develop and define their respective strategic goals for the upcoming year, to connect with each other and to participate in deep thinking about our role as section leaders in the foundational objectives of AMA sections: policy impact and leadership development. I'm happy to share our WPS strategic goals for 2025-2026, generated collectively by our GC:

- Increase WPS collaborations with AMA sections, state societies, and AMA delegations.
- Increase WPS impact and education on women's health and leadership.
- Increase engagement of WPS members.

Our WPS GC plans to utilize our section's policymaking process, educational programming, mentoring opportunities, and various other section efforts to achieve our strategic goals. Our section members have created a virtual "community" via our WPS GroupMe, and our GC and staff have implemented an online Google form for real-time continuous feedback about our section to our staff and GC. Feedback can be anonymous for optimal candor. In addition, in honor of Women in Medicine month during September, the WPS sponsored a webinar "[The Future is FemTech: Women Shaping Digital Health](#)" and if you missed it, I recommend watching the recording. I was fortunate to serve as a moderator representing the WPS as the YPS Representative. The WPS House of Delegates (HOD) handbook review committees convene prior to each WPS meeting to review items of business under consideration by the HOD. Volunteer by April 24, 2026, for the 2026 Annual Meeting as the deadline has passed for the 2025 Interim Meeting. Visit the [Women Physicians Section \(WPS\) leadership opportunities page](#) to learn more about opportunities to engage with our WPS. Keep in touch with us by joining the WPS GroupMe chat or email us at wps@ama-assn.org.

Best wishes & warmest regards,

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