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AMA LGBTQ+ Section Update

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The AMA LGBTQ+ Section continues to grow since becoming a full section and since the AMA Annual Meeting in June 2026.

The Governing Council met at the Section Leadership Meeting in August of 2026 to refine and reoutline the strategic plan. The following update focuses on the domains of the strategic plan.

1. Membership and Engagement:

At the AMA Annual Meeting, the Section elected Matthew E. Lecuyer, MD, MPH (Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Washington, DC) as the YPS Representative to the Governing Council, as well as Brian Grady, MD (Urology, San Francisco, California) to a Member At Large position on the Governing Council. The Membership and Engagement Committee continues to meet monthly, focusing on growing membership and increasing involvement of LGBTQ+ physicians across AMA leadership as well as exploring secure forms of communication to allow members to have a safe space to authentically express themselves and areas of policy concern. The Section hosted an Interim 101 webinar and a Section Town Hall, both in October in preparation for the 2026 AMA Interim Meeting.

2. Research and Education

The section continues to hold education sessions during the AMA Annual Meeting. This past June, the section hosted the session *“Translating Clinical Evidence into Practice: Standards of Care in Emerging-Evidence Settings.”* The discussion addressed the responsible application of clinical evidence in settings where uncertainty exists, emphasizing ethical practice and patient trust.

3. Policy

The Section has authored 3 resolutions to be sent to the HOD during the 2026 Interim Meeting, with majority support from members of the Section after an open review and vote by section membership. Policy topics include Detransition Clinics, Research on Trans Care, and Patient Privacy. To help with future and current policy topics at the 2026 Interim Meeting and beyond, please contact the Section’s Delegate and Alternate Delegate, Haily Greenstone, MD, MPH and Janet Jacobson, MD, respectfully, or email lgbtq@ama-assn.org.

Looking ahead, the AMA LGBTQ+ Section is eager to continue the growth trajectory and build upon the strategic pillars of Membership Engagement, Research and Education, and Policy and we welcome all those that would like to be involved. Please use the AMA Jot Form to get involved: <https://ama.jotform.com/241923827364159>

Respectfully,

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