

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The American Medical Association is your ally in providing MD and DO students UUUUU with opportunities to develop leadership skills and advocate for patients and your professional future at the local or national levels. Here's a quick overview of some of the many opportunities medical students can pursue as members of the AMA.

AMA MEDICAL STUDENT OUTREACH LEADER

(at your medical school)

The AMA offers nine-month leadership experiences for AMA medical student members interested in exhibiting excellent leadership, organizational and networking skills. This program is both a great way to make a difference at your school and to learn how advocacy and organized medicine works. **Learn more**

AMA MEDICAL STUDENT SECTION (variety of leadership positions)

The AMA Medical Student Section (MSS) presents a wide range of leadership opportunities to all MD and DO student members. These positions include various seats on the AMA-MSS Governing Council, which directs the activities of the AMA-MSS on a national level, as well as appointments to other AMA sections and councils of special interest, including:

- AMA Advisory Committee on LGBTQ+ Issues (student member)
 provides an advocacy forum for addressing the unique issues of
 LGBTQ+ physicians and patients Learn more
- AMA Minority Affairs Section Governing Council (student member) addresses issues and concerns of underrepresented minority physicians and improving the health of minority populations Learn more
- AMA Women Physicians Section Governing Council (student member) furthers issues and actions related to women's health, accelerates professional progress of women physicians through leadership development, training and advocacy Learn more
- Appointments to councils (student member) one of the most powerful advocacy tools the AMA-MSS holds is the appointment of student members to the AMA's seven oversight councils—i.e., the AMA Council on Constitution and Bylaws, the AMA Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs, the AMA Council on Legislation, AMA Council on Long Range Planning and Development, the AMA Council on Medical Education, the AMA Council on Medical Service, and the AMA Council on Science and Public Health Learn more

AMA BOARD OF TRUSTEES (student member)

The AMA Board of Trustees guides the activities of the AMA and ensures that the AMA remains focused and actively engaged in its essential mission of "promoting the art and science of medicine and the betterment of public health. Learn more

AMA FOUNDATION (board of directors, student member)

As the philanthropic arm of the AMA, the AMA Foundation is responsible for awarding medical student scholarships, community health-focused grants, and recognition of excellence and accomplishment. **Learn more**

(Leadership Development Institute)

The Leadership Development Institute offers medical students entering their final year of school the chance to gain individualized guidance into the skills needed to foster their careers and the future of medicine. Students will receive mentoring and professional development opportunities throughout the course of the program year. Learn more

AMPAC (board of directors, student member)

The American Medical Political Action Committee or "AMPAC" is the bi-partisan political action committee of the AMA that exists to help elect medicine-friendly candidates to the U.S. Congress. **Learn more**

AMA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS ADVOCACY FELLOW

A full-time, one-year paid position based in Washington, D.C., the AMA Government Relations Advocacy Fellow offers medical students a unique opportunity to experience firsthand the intersection between organized medicine and the federal government, and how advocacy and policymaking shape medicine and the health care system. Learn more

