MUA/P Advisory Group
Resident/Fellow Member Nomination Request

The ACGME Medically Underserved Areas and Populations (MUA/P) Advisory Group seeks nominations for two resident/fellow members with a term to begin in December 2024. Nominees must be enrolled in an ACGME-accredited residency or fellowship program at the time of the appointment and may not serve more than one year beyond completion of residency or fellowship. The resident members’ term is two years.

Qualifications of the Group’s Resident/Fellow Members
The group can appoint no more than two concurrent members from the same state. No more than one member can be from the same Sponsoring Institution or city/metropolitan area (i.e., core-based statistical area as defined by US Office of Management and Budget). Current members are affiliated with the following institutions:

- A.T. Still University (Mesa, Arizona)
- Charles R. Drew University College of Medicine (Los Angeles, California)
- East Arkansas Family Health Center, Inc. (Trumann, Arkansas)
- Los Angeles County-Harbor-UCLA Medical Center (Torrance, California)
- Maine Medical Center (Portland, Maine)
- Natividad Medical Center (Salinas, California)
- Providence Health (Anchorage, Alaska)
- Texas Institute for Graduate Medical Education and Research (San Antonio, Texas)
- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Medicine (Little Rock, Arkansas)

It is preferable, though not obligatory, that resident/fellow members have current or prior service experience as a member of the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) and as a leader among residents/fellows in the Sponsoring Institution.

Resident/fellow members must be able to participate in remote group meetings and be able to use common virtual meeting/communications platforms (e.g., Zoom, Skype, Microsoft Teams), in addition to using common software (e.g., Microsoft Word, Adobe Acrobat Reader) and the ACGME’s web-based software for group activities.

Responsibilities of Resident/Fellow Members
Members must attend all group meetings. The group typically meets two times per year. The group’s meeting agendas will consist of items related to implementation of the ACGME’s MUA/P framework. Members will spend two to three hours per meeting reviewing written materials. Group meetings will typically be held in November/December and May/June of each year. If there is a third meeting, it will likely be held virtually in the summer or fall. Relevant 2024-2025 meeting dates are as follows:

- December 5-6, 2024, Chicago, Illinois
- May 2025, Chicago, Illinois (dates TBD)
- December 2025 Chicago, Illinois (dates TBD)

The duration of a group meeting is typically one-and-a-half days. Group work may also include periodic video conference calls.
In addition to traveling to and attending all group meetings, members are responsible for advising the ACGME in the development of:

- organizational knowledge of issues related to MUA/P and GME
- outreach efforts to designated institutional officials (DIOs), program directors, and others
- educational opportunities to facilitate the development of GME

Resident/fellow members participate in all group activities. Resident/fellow members are required to comply with the same confidentiality, conflict of interest, duality of interest, and fiduciary responsibility policies as other members.

Note: It is the responsibility of the program director of a resident/fellow member nominee’s residency or fellowship program to ensure that the resident/fellow will have the necessary time to review meeting materials, attend group meetings, and participate in activities of the group as required.

To Submit a Nomination
Candidates may be nominated by individuals or organizations. To nominate a resident/fellow for this position, submit the following documents under one cover letter by Friday, April 26, 2024:

- A letter of recommendation signed by the nominee’s program director and the DIO of the Sponsoring Institution ensuring the nominee will have sufficient time to participate in activities of the MUA/P Advisory Group as expected
- An up-to-date curriculum vitae from the nominee
- A one-page personal statement outlining the nominee’s educational goals, professional interests, and intent to serve if elected to the group

Email nominations to muap@acgme.org by Friday, April 26, 2024. If the organization’s process for selecting nominees will not accommodate the requested deadline, email muap@acgme.org as soon as possible.

All individuals or organizations submitting nominations will be notified of the selection by email after the MUA/P Advisory Group has completed the nomination process.

Additional Information
All related travel and meeting expenses are covered by the ACGME.

Nominees who are selected for membership will sign an agreement with the ACGME and complete a disclosure form annually. (The disclosure form identifies any relationships, positions, or circumstances in which nominees are involved that they believe could contribute to an actual or apparent conflict or duality of interest.) New members will complete these documents at or before their first meeting in December 2024.

More information about the ACGME can be found at www.acgme.org. Information specific to the MUA/P Advisory Group is on the MUA/P page of the ACGME website.

Email muap@acgme.org with specific questions.