

# Young Physicians, Students and Residents

Rapid, radical change faces the medical profession in today's ever-changing health care environment. But the younger generation — medical students, residents, and young/early career physicians — have the opportunity to have a voice in shaping their own futures.

The Pennsylvania Medical Society (PAMED) offers opportunities at all stages in your medical career to network with other physicians from around the state. Similarly, international medical graduates have unique concerns and experiences, and the opportunity to strengthen the voice of medicine on behalf of patients and physicians.

PAMED's sections for these diverse groups serve as their voice, partner, and advocate across the state. Members of the sections are engaged and involved in PAMED initiatives and policymaking.

Section members have a chance to help determine the future of PAMED and the direction of medicine in Pennsylvania. What will YourPAMED be?

## **Medical Student Section**

PAMED's Medical Student Section (MSS) provides a forum for Pennsylvania medical students to express their concerns and work together on solutions to common problems. The MSS is a resource for information and education and provides direct access to the policymaking bodies of PAMED and the American Medical Association.

For more information on the Medical Student Section, contact Eric Walsh at 717-558-7828, or by email at [ewalsh@pamedsoc.org](mailto:ewalsh@pamedsoc.org). If you're not a member, [join for free](#).

## [Medical Student Section Governing Council](#)

## **Resident and Fellow Section**

Want to get involved in the PAMED's Resident and Fellow Section (RFS)? You can:

- Show off your research in the poster contest at PAMED's annual House of Delegates meeting.
- Meet fellow residents experiencing the same challenges by attending the annual RFS meeting.
- Join the RFS Governing Council and make a difference on your future in medicine,
- Add your voice to our advocacy efforts by attending our Advocacy Day at the Capitol. Speak up on issues that are important to you, such as increasing funding for training programs for medical students and residents and increasing available funding for loan forgiveness for new physicians who want to practice in underserved areas.
- Get valuable tools and resources on contract reviews and restricted covenants.

For more information, contact Eric Walsh at (717) 558-7828, or [ewalsh@pamedsoc.org](mailto:ewalsh@pamedsoc.org). If you're not a member, [join now](#) and get your first year of postgraduate membership for free.

## [Resident/Fellow Section Governing Council](#)

## Young Physicians Section

PAMED's Young Physicians Section (YPS) is the voice of young physicians in the state. Its purpose is to increase involvement of young physicians in organized medicine and provide a direct means for young physician members to participate in Society activities and policymaking.

The YPS offers a great opportunity for grassroots physicians to raise matters of personal importance, and works on young physicians' behalf, keeping their point of view at the forefront.

For more information, contact Stacia Pearce at (800) 228-7823, ext. 2657, or [spearce@pamedsoc.org](mailto:spearce@pamedsoc.org).

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## International Medical Graduates Section

The International Medical Graduates (IMG) Section was formed to provide increased IMG involvement in PAMED and local county medical societies. By joining PAMED, IMGs link forces with colleagues throughout Pennsylvania to strengthen the voice of medicine on behalf of patients and physicians.

For more information about the section or its activities, call (800) 228-7823, ext. 2657, and ask for Stacia Pearce or email [spearce@pamedsoc.org](mailto:spearce@pamedsoc.org).

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## Resources and Education for Residents, Fellows, and Medical Students

- **Contract Review/Compensation Review Service**— When you submit a contract to PAMED's Physician Contract Review Service, you get a detailed review and suggestions from an experienced health care attorney to help you avoid major contracting mistakes that could haunt you for years.
- **Financial Planning Education** — [Strategies for Life's Financial Decisions](#) (geared toward medical students and first and second year residents) and [Financial Planning for New Physicians](#) (geared toward third to fifth year residents and physicians in their first five years to 10 years of practice) offer online education applicable to your career stage
- **Employment Contract Education** — In the online course "[First Employment Contracts: What Early Career Physicians Need to Know](#)," Gus Geraci, MD, PAMED's consulting chief medical officer outlines seven things physicians should never say in the negotiation process.