



Residents Forum Executive Committee Elections

Candidate for Member-at-Large

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When are you taking your boards? – 2028

CAP Experience:

Activity	Position	Years of Service
Future Pathologist Champion	Member	08/07/2024 – Current

How did you become interested in serving on the RFEC?

I became interested in serving on the Residents Forum Executive Committee through CAP annual meetings, where I was inspired by the leadership, collaboration, and advocacy demonstrated by the committee.

I am interested in serving in any of the three positions listed: Alternate Delegate to the AMA Resident and Fellow Section, Member-at-Large, or Digital Strategy Liaison.

What do you hope to accomplish during your time, if elected?

If elected, I hope to actively contribute to shaping the future of pathology by supporting the mission of the Residents Forum Executive Committee (RFEC). The RFEC plays a critical role in guiding the direction of the Residents Forum, organizing impactful events, and representing resident voices within both the College of American Pathologists (CAP) and the American Medical Association (AMA). I aim to help strengthen these efforts by promoting resident involvement, enhancing communication between members, and ensuring our collective voice is heard at national levels.

In addition to supporting event planning and advocacy efforts, I hope to contribute to initiatives that address current challenges in pathology training, such as adapting to new technologies, maintaining high standards of diagnostic excellence, and promoting well-being among residents. I also see this as an opportunity to foster meaningful collaboration between residents across institutions and to amplify the visibility of our contributions within the broader healthcare landscape.

Serving on the RFEC not only provides an excellent platform for leadership development and professional growth but also allows for deeper engagement with CAP's strategic goals. With the support provided to attend meetings and participate fully, I would make the most of this role to advocate for innovation, equity, and excellence in pathology education and practice.

Please convey your understanding of the role of an Residents Forum Executive Committee member and their responsibility to the Residents Forum and the College of American Pathologists.

A member of the Residents Forum Executive Committee plays a vital role in representing the interests and voices of pathology residents within the College of American Pathologists. Their responsibilities include actively participating in committee meetings, helping to develop initiatives that support resident education and advocacy, and serving as a liaison between residents and the CAP leadership. They are expected to contribute to the strategic direction of the Residents Forum, promote engagement among peers, and uphold the mission and values of the College by fostering professional growth, leadership, and collaboration within the pathology community.



Please address the time commitment for the office in which you are interested and your ability to fulfill it.

I can commit to any time required for the office and am fully prepared to fulfill all responsibilities as needed.

What talents and skills do you bring to the Residents Forum Executive Committee that you believe would benefit the Residents Forum?

As a passionate and dedicated professional in the field of pathology, I have had the privilege of serving on several university-wide, school-wide, and department-wide committees at George Washington University (GW) during my tenure as an assistant professor. Additionally, as the program director of a graduate program at GW, I worked closely with faculty across various departments, fostering collaboration and ensuring program success.

I also had the opportunity to conduct site visits for NACCLS clinical laboratory science programs at different hospitals. These experiences allowed me to witness firsthand the critical importance of maintaining high standards in laboratory practices, education, and research.

What else should the Residents Forum know about you?

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to work with the Residents Forum Executive Committee members to continue advancing the field of pathology.