

Residents Forum Executive Committee Elections

Candidate for Vice Chair

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How did you become interested in serving on the RFEC?

I'm drawn to the RFEC because the Residents Forum empowers pathology trainees to develop leadership skills and advocate for our specialty. I believe the strength of the CAP lies in its committees, and the RF provides a vital platform for residents to shape the future of pathology. Serving as Vice Chair would allow me to support this mission, foster resident engagement, and grow as a leader.



If elected, I hope to strengthen communication between the RFEC and residents nationwide, increase awareness of CAP resources, and encourage broader resident involvement in advocacy and leadership. I also aim to support the Chair in ensuring efficient meetings and meaningful programming that reflect the needs of pathology trainees.

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 Residents Forum Executive Committee member serves as a representative voice for pathology trainees, helping to guide the direction of the Residents Forum and ensuring resident perspectives are heard within the College of American Pathologists. RFEC members are responsible for planning RF events, participating in national discussions, supporting leadership development among peers, and fostering communication between residents and CAP leadership. They play a key role in shaping initiatives that impact both current trainees and the future of our specialty.

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

I understand that the Vice Chair role requires a time commitment of approximately 11 travel days, in addition to regular virtual meetings and ongoing responsibilities. I am confident in my ability to meet these commitments and have the full support of my program to actively participate. I'm organized, dependable, and prepared to prioritize this role to serve the Residents Forum effectively.

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

As a member of the Texas Society of Pathologists Communications Committee, I bring experience in outreach and advocacy, particularly through social media. I actively promote pathology engagement across Texas and understand how to connect with residents on digital platforms. My communication skills, commitment to organized pathology, and ability to amplify trainee voices would be valuable assets to the RFEC.





What else should the Residents Forum know about you?

I'm a first-generation physician passionate about education, advocacy, and building community among trainees. My diverse experiences—from academic writing to collaborative leadership—reflect my commitment to advancing our field.