

# Massachusetts Medical Society MEMBER BENEFITS SUMMARY

## Advocacy and Public Health



**MEMBER VALUE: \$1,000+**

### State and Federal Advocacy

- Direct lobbying and grassroots member advocacy with key stakeholders on Beacon Hill and in Washington, DC
- Draft and file legislation and provide expert testimony representing the voice of physicians and their patients

### Health Policy and Public Health

- Resources on health disparities and equity, opioid prescribing, vaping, food insecurity, and safety
- Public Health Leadership Forum

## Clinical Journals, CME, and Publications



**MEMBER VALUE: \$1,750+**

### NEJM Group

- *The New England Journal of Medicine*
- *NEJM Journal Watch Online* (reviews 200+ journals in key topic areas)
- NEJM Resident 360 Discussions and Learning Lab
- NEJM Resident 360: Rotation Prep access with NEJM Knowledge+ — 25% Discount

### CME Online/In-Person Programs and Forums

- NEJM (unlimited CME weekly exams and interactive medical exams)
- Jointly provided and directly offered CME to meet licensing requirements — 40–50% Savings
- Education-related events

### Publications/Boston Medical Library

- Access to 25+ exclusive publications
- *Vital Signs*
- Free access to the Boston Medical Library and the branch at MMS Headquarters

## Leadership and Networking



**MEMBER VALUE: \$125+**

### Leadership and Governance Support

- Committees, Districts, and Sections
- Interim and Annual Meetings
- Massachusetts Delegation to the American Medical Association

### MMS-Sponsored Social Events

- Networking

## Practice Management and Professional Services



**MEMBER VALUE: \$1,500–10,000+**

### Practice Management

- Patient safety initiatives and advocacy for reduced quality metrics reporting
- Advocacy for administrative simplification: prior authorization, documentation, coding, and billing
- Claims consultation with payers and recoupment of funds
- Helpline for issues related to licensure, credentialing, telehealth, marketing, and opening/closing a practice

### Professional Services

- Legal Advisory Plan is a professional liability policy to protect your career from Board of Registration in Medicine investigations ([massmed.org/lap](http://massmed.org/lap)) — Savings
- Financial Planning ([piam.com](http://piam.com)) — 20% Savings
- Physician Health Services to support physicians, residents, and students facing addiction, mental health, physical illness, and workplace issues ([physicianhealth.org](http://physicianhealth.org))
- Medici Connect™ ([medici.md/connect-members](http://medici.md/connect-members))
- IC System Collection Service ([icmemberbenefits.com](http://icmemberbenefits.com)) — 20% Savings

## Scholarships and Charitable Giving



**MEMBER VALUE: PRICELESS**

### Physicians

- Brandeis University Executive MBA for Physicians — 25% Tuition Scholarship

### Students

- \$165,000+ in scholarships and low-cost student loans to support the next generation of physicians

### Foundations

- MMS and Alliance Charitable Foundation
- Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society

## Questions?



### Member Information Center:

- email: [mic@mms.org](mailto:mic@mms.org)
- phone: (800) 322-2303, ext. 7311

Visit [massmed.org/benefits](http://massmed.org/benefits).

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# Massachusetts Medical Society GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

The Massachusetts Medical Society (MMS) is composed of its constituent district medical societies and is governed by elected and appointed officials. Policy decisions and initiatives are formed through a democratic process reflecting the voice of its membership. Members serve on committees, task forces, and sections to carry out the work of the Society.

We need your voice, your ideas, and your passion to advance the mission of the MMS. The strength and effectiveness of our Society rely on the commitment and participation of its members from the district level to the national level.

**Learn more:** [massmed.org/governance](https://massmed.org/governance) and [massmed.org/corporatedocuments](https://massmed.org/corporatedocuments)

## How Our Process Works

The MMS is governed by a **Board of Trustees (BOT)**. The BOT has responsibility for setting priorities, administrative management of the Society including personnel, property, and fiscal affairs, approving the annual and supplementary budgets, and the coordination of all committees' activities.

**Learn more:** [massmed.org/leadership](https://massmed.org/leadership) and [massmed.org/bot](https://massmed.org/bot)

The **House of Delegates (HOD)** is the policymaking body of the MMS which has the authority to establish two general types of policy: health policies and directives. Members of the HOD serve as an important link between the MMS and grassroots physicians. The HOD is composed of delegates elected by the 20 district medical societies, medical specialty societies, and sections, and convenes twice a year for two days in late fall (Interim Meeting) and spring (Annual Meeting).

## How to Become a Delegate

MMS members interested in serving as a delegate to the MMS House of Delegates need to contact their local **district medical society, section, or medical specialty society** to express interest and follow district policy guidelines.

**Learn more:** [massmed.org/hod](https://massmed.org/hod)

A group of MMS members are elected to represent Massachusetts physicians, residents, and national meetings of the American Medical Association.

**Learn more:** [massmed.org/amanoms](https://massmed.org/amanoms)

## Serving as an HOD Reference Committee Member at the HOD Meetings

Reference committee members serve for one year, at both the Interim and Annual Meetings of the HOD. Each reference committee is composed of five members and two alternates who hold open hearings on the resolutions and reports assigned to the committee by the HOD Speaker.

Any member of the Society can ask the House to consider an item of business. Those items, called *resolutions*, are drafted and submitted prior to each HOD meeting. The deadline for submission of resolutions and reports is 45 days prior to the first session of the meeting.

## Serving on Committees, Task Forces, and Sections

**Learn more:** [massmed.org/committees](https://massmed.org/committees) and [massmed.org/committeedescriptions](https://massmed.org/committeedescriptions)

The Society currently has **committees, task forces, and sections** where much of the important work of the Society is accomplished. There are three classes of committees: Standing, Special, and Advisory. Please contact **Karen Harrison at (800) 322-2303, ext. 7463**, or email [kharrison@mms.org](mailto:kharrison@mms.org) with any questions or interest. The application process typically occurs annually in February/March.

To serve on a district committee, please contact your district medical society for more information. To serve on a section or task force, please reach out to an MMS staff liaison identified on the committee web page.

## Member Interest Network (MIN)

Governed by the MIN Executive Council, the **Member Interest Network (MIN)** provides a way for you to participate in Society activities related to arts, history, humanism, and culture at the level you choose. The MIN is open to all MMS members. Please contact **Cathy Salas** at the West Central Regional Office at **(800) 322-2303, ext. 7715**, or email [csalas@mms.org](mailto:csalas@mms.org).

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