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Are you an early-career physician interested in positively impacting your profession and specialty certification?

The American Board of Medical Specialties invites you to apply to the **ABMS Visiting Scholars Program**

The **ABMS Visiting Scholars Program** positions early-career physicians and research professionals as active contributors to and future leaders in health care. The one-year, part-time program facilitates research exploring best practices and innovative approaches that address priorities for the certification community – physician learning and assessment, physician performance, continuing professional development, quality improvement, and patient safety. Focused areas of interest for the certification community include the following:

- Diagnostic error
- Competency based medical education and assessment
- Racial Equity and Diversity in health care
- Engaging physicians in quality improvement

As an ABMS Visiting Scholar, you have an opportunity to:

- Conduct research of value to your program and organization.
- Strengthen methods and data analyses in consultation with ABMS physician leaders and researchers.
- Learn about leadership approaches and priorities by engaging with physician leaders at the national level.
- Develop professional relationships with ABMS and its Member Boards, other professional health care organizations, and ABMS Visiting Program Scholars alumni.
- Have your work nationally recognized and disseminated across the certification community.

Register for an informational webinar at 6:00 pm (CT) on April 14, 2021



THE ABMS VISITING SCHOLARS EXPERIENCE

The ABMS Visiting Scholars program is a life experience with value and resonance that extends far beyond the boundaries of a single year. It is a chance to step out with a research project of your own and network with fellow scholars, alumni, and leadership from the ABMS community. During the one-year program, you will remain at your home organization, work with self-selected mentors, and participate in monthly interactive webinars with national thought leaders in medical education, critical thinking and diagnosis, assessment, professionalism, research and improvement methodologies, and big data.

Traditionally, ABMS Visiting Scholars present their research findings before a national audience at the annual ABMS Conference and attend in-person leadership meetings. During the COVID-19 pandemic, these events may be hosted virtually.

ELIGIBILITY

The program is ideal for individuals looking to positively impact their profession as well as specialty certification in an environment of rapid change.

- Early career physicians, junior faculty, fellows, and residents are eligible, as well as individuals holding master or doctorate degrees in public health, health services research, educational evaluation and statistics, public health policy and administration, or other relevant disciplines.
- Veterans Affairs trainees and staff also are welcome to apply. Prior approval by the VA Office of Academic Affiliations is required.
- Student visas are not available.

APPLICATION

You should have a project that is ongoing (or launching) and have selected a research mentor. Your project may build on existing research at your organization while helping advance initial and continuing certification. Visit the [ABMS Visiting Scholars](#) page to apply. Applications must include:

- A description of your project including research questions, plan, budget, expected outcomes, and timeline.
- A statement describing your interests and goals for program participation.
- Two letters of recommendation: one from your research mentor; and one from your department chair; associate dean/assistant dean, residency program director; or another supervisor.
- A current professional CV.

The deadline to apply is June 7, 2021 at 5:00 pm CT.

SELECTION

ABMS Visiting Scholars are selected based on the quality of their proposed research project, the relevance of their research to the ABMS mission and the certification community, and the likelihood of making substantial progress on the project during the scholar year. Applications developed in collaboration with one or more ABMS Member Boards may receive priority. An award of up to \$12,500 is provided to support the direct costs of research and travel expenses associated with program participation. Selected individuals will be notified in August. The program begins in September.

For more information contact, ABMSVisitingScholars@abms.org or visit the [ABMS Visiting Scholars Program](#) page.