Overview and Application Process
April 14, 2021
Susrutha Kotwal, MD
Assistant Professor of Medicine
The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
(Con-spon-soried by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation)

Michelle Chen, MD, MHS
Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Clinical Lecturer/Fellow
University of Michigan
(Con-spon-soried by the American Board of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery)

Joel Willis, DO, PA, MA, MPhil
Faculty Physician
The George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates
(Con-spon-soried by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation)

Jacquelyn Dunahoe, MD
Orthopaedic Surgery Resident Physician
University of Washington

Justin Berk, MD, MPH, MBA
Assistant Professor
Rhode Island Hospital of the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University

Melvin Makhni, MD, MBA
Orthopaedic Surgery Instructor
Brigham and Women’s Hospital/Harvard Medical School
(Con-spon-soried by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery)

Alison Huffstetler, MD
Assistant Professor, Clinical Researcher
Virginia Commonwealth University

Robert Hayden, MD
Internal Medicine Resident Physician
Brigham and Women’s Hospital
(Con-spon-soried by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation)
Moderator
Greg Ogrinc, MD, MS

Senior Vice President
Certification Standards and Programs
American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)

Visiting Clinical Professor of Medicine,
University of Illinois Chicago College of Medicine
Agenda

- Program Overview
- Opportunities
- Eligibility and Application
- Selection and Schedule
- Q & A with the Scholars

2019-2020 cohort: Maya Iyer, MD, MEd; Laura Kim, MD; Rachel Frank, MD; and Trisha Marshall, MD
About ABMS

ABMS elevates the discipline of specialty medicine through board certification. Its purpose is one of public care and physician support.

We are always evolving and advancing certification standards and programs to keep physicians practicing at the forefront of medicine.

24 Member Boards

40 specialties

87 subspecialties

More than

920,000+

Board certified physicians
ABMS Visiting Scholars Program Overview

• Established in 2014
• Leadership and research program for early-career physicians and research professionals
• Encourage and support certification-related research
• 37 individuals selected to participate (2014-2021)
• 9 specialties represented
2020-2021 Program Sponsors

- American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS)
- American Board of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery (ABOHNS)
- Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation

ABOS sponsored scholars Rachel Frank, MD (L) and Amy Cizek, PhD, MPH (R) with ABOS Executive Medical Director, David F. Martin, MD
ABMS Visiting Scholars Program Overview

- One-year, part-time commitment
- Participants can remain at their organization
- Up to $12,500 financial award

2018-2019 cohort: Brian George, MD, MA
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Conduct research of value to your program and organization</th>
<th>Strengthen methods and data analyses</th>
<th>Develop professional relationships with ABMS and its Member Boards, other professional health care organizations, and ABMS Visiting Scholars Alumni</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Learn about leadership approaches and priorities</td>
<td>Have your work nationally recognized and disseminated</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Participant Opportunities**
Participant Opportunities

Conduct research relevant to the certification community

- Physician learning and assessment
- Physician performance
- Continuing professional development (CPD)
- Quality Improvement
- Patient safety
- Certification

2018-2019 cohort: Brenessa Lindeman, MD, MEHP
Focused areas of interest

- Diagnostic error
- Competency-based medical education and assessment
- Racial equity and diversity in health care
- Engaging physicians in quality improvement
Research and Publications

Scholars also remain engaged in publishing research. Some of the most common research areas include:

- Quality measures
- Predictive validity of certification examinations
- Board certification requirements in quality and safety
- Entrustable professional activities
- Professional development
- Diagnostic excellence
Eligibility

Early-career professionals with

- Medical degree and/or advanced degree in public health, health services research, and other relevant advanced degrees
- Veteran Health Administration Quality Scholars Program Participants
- Interest in physician assessment, performance and quality improvement, CPD, and certification
- Professional interest in leadership and scholarship

And are engaged in projects that will inform focused areas of interest

- Improvement in physicians’ diagnostic accuracy; competency-based education and assessment; racial equity and diversity in health care; engaging physicians in quality improvement
- Advances physician assessment and certification in Orthopaedic Surgery and Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
Application Process

Applications are completed on the ABMS website. You should have a project that is ongoing (or launching) and selected a research mentor.

Applications must include:

- Project description including research questions, plan, budget, expected outcomes and outline
- 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 other supervisor
- Current, professional CV
Selection Process

ABMS Visiting Scholars are selected based on:

- The quality of the proposed research project
- The relevance of the project to the ABMS mission and certification community
- The likelihood of making substantial progress on the project during the scholar year

Program Schedule

June 7
Applications due
5:00 pm CT

August 21
Orientation videoconference

Spring 2022
ABMS Associate Member and leadership meetings

August 5
Acceptance notification

September 28-29
Participation in ABMS Conference 2021/virtual

September 2022
Capstone presentation at ABMS Conference 2022

2014-2015 cohort, L to R: Michelle Lin, MD, MPH; Joan Ko, MD; Ihan Gonsenhauser, MD; Stephanie Yi, MD, MS; Daniel Schumacher, MD, MeD
Q&A with the ABMS Visiting Scholars

https://youtu.be/cBOkaM412nw
ABMS Visiting Scholars Program™

Thank you!

Questions: ABMSVisitingScholars@abms.org
Information and application: visitingscholars.abms.org