

Greetings!

Earlier this year, APMA recognized 16 young physicians as the inaugural cohort to complete the 18-month APMA Emerging Leaders Program (ELP). You can learn more about the work of the ELP in the [most recent issue of APMA News](#). The leadership skills and professional relationships developed during the program could not have been done without the support of component leaders like you who invested in the leadership aspirations of these promising young physicians at the start of the program.

The application cycle for the second iteration of the APMA ELP will launch in early July. APMA is asking component leaders to begin considering a young physician from your state to participate in the program. Young physicians have also been encouraged to reach out to their component societies for support to participate in the program, as well as potential sponsorship. The program will begin in the fall of 2024 at the ELP Leadership Summit in Chicago and conclude at the APMA 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting (The National) in Dallas. Interested applicants can visit www.apma.org/elp to access application materials and learn more details about the kick-off event. Updated information and materials will be available on July 2.

This program is available exclusively to APMA young physician members (members who graduated from podiatric medical school within the past 10 years). Nominees must demonstrate a strong interest in building leadership and advocacy skills within the profession. Components must sign the pre-formatted ELP statement of support. Of the nominees, APMA will select up to 15 young physicians to participate in the program.

Like in previous years with the Young Physicians' Institute (YPI), APMA will split sponsorship costs for each participant to attend the ELP Leadership Summit in Chicago, up to \$500, with the participant's component society or other sponsoring institution. Please consider discussing your component's ability to provide this funding with applicants prior to completing their statement of support.

The application cycle for the Emerging Leaders Program will close in early August, and selected applicants will be notified later that month.

If there are any questions about the program, please do not hesitate to contact me. We are looking forward to another successful iteration of the ELP and appreciate your continued partnership and investment in the growth of our young physician membership!

Sincerely,

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