

CALL for VOLUNTEERS



Every year, AOSSM accepts new volunteers to serve on its standing committees. These volunteer committees form the lifeblood of AOSSM and provide guidance for Society programs and projects. Those who join committees not only heighten their experience as an AOSSM member, but form ties of fellowship with their colleagues

that can last throughout their career. Because different committees work so closely with each other to help accomplish the Society's mission, participating in a committee is an excellent way to see how AOSSM develops its meetings, courses, publications, and other resources.

Although requirements and duties vary by committee, volunteers must be able to attend regular committee meetings, which are typically scheduled in conjunction with Specialty Day each spring and the AOSSM Annual Meeting each summer. With the range of Society programs and corresponding committees, there are many opportunities to share your unique perspective.

All membership categories are eligible to serve on AOSSM Committees. Term of service is a four year, non renewable term. Appointment of volunteers to the Society's standing committees is made by the Committee on Committees, which meets in the spring of each year. Volunteers will be notified if they have been selected by May 2012.

If you are interested in serving on an AOSSM committee, simply fill out the Volunteer Form on the facing page and fax it back to the Society office by February 1, 2012, (fax number 847/292-4905), or complete the form at www.sportsmed.org and e-mail to Camille@aossm.org.

These committees will have vacancies in 2012 (current Chair in parentheses):

Education Committee

(Andrew J. Cosagra, MD)

Provides educational opportunities to our membership. Develops, monitors, and implements a core curriculum of knowledge and skills appropriate for a range of stakeholders.

Enduring Education Committee

(Rick W. Wright, MD)

Provides oversight for all enduring education programs and develops new initiatives for online, multimedia and other re-purposed material. Categorizes resources and monitors activity associated with the online library. Committee members must be familiar with the AOSSM educational curriculum. Committee members promote enduring educational activities, including online meetings and the online library.

Fellowship Committee

(Annunziato Amendola, MD)

Consists of members who are all involved with fellowship training and represent both academic and non-academic sports medicine fellowships. Monitors issues relating to sports medicine fellowship accreditation and fellowship training. Selects winners of the Aircast Awards for Basic Science and Clinical Science. Maintains Fellowship Curriculum.

Fellowship Match Committee

(Peter Joki, MD)

Charged with monitoring and assuring compliance with the Sports Medicine and Arthroscopy Fellowship Match process.

Hall of Fame

(Walton W. Curl, MD)

Develops application and guidelines for the Hall of Fame, as well as makes final selection of recipients.

Health Policy and Ethics

(William Beach, MD)

Monitors socioeconomic issues as they pertain to orthopaedic sports medicine practice and provides recommendations to the AOSSM Board of Directors, the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and the American Medical Association on related issues.

Publications Committee

(Daniel J. Solomon, MD)

Provides editorial content as needed for *Sports Medicine Update*. Identifies new projects and solicits content as appropriate for patient and/or physician education materials. Monitors sales of publications and joint efforts to ensure effective use of Society resources.

Research Committee

(Constance R. Chu, MD)

Evaluates applications and selects recipients of Young Investigator Grants and AOSSM Research Awards. Selects the AOSSM Exchange Lecturer for the NATA Annual Meeting on the basis of that year's research award winners. Develops initiatives for AOSSM-sponsored research education.

Self Assessment Committee

(Thomas M. DeBerardino, MD/Christopher C. Kaeding, MD)

Develops new questions for the AOSSM Self Assessment based on the question writing guidelines. Reviews and edits question content. This committee is involved with pilot testing the Self Assessment, and analyzing data related to question content and participant data. Committee members must understand the AOSSM educational curriculum and the requirements for Subspecialty Certification in Sports Medicine.

NEW COMMITTEE STOP Sports Injuries Campaign Education and Outreach Committee

(Chair TBD)

Reviews and helps develop the educational content for the STOP Sports Injuries campaign, including tip sheets, blogs, videos and other website content. Members may answer questions regarding the campaign to members of the media and general public and help develop greater campaign awareness.

Technology Committee

(Kevin Marberry, MD)

Oversees AOSSM website. Reports new and developing information technologies to the AOSSM Board of Directors and membership. Promotes technology usage through education and member services. Note: Access to the Internet and ability to communicate via e-mail is necessary for full participation on this committee.

Traveling Fellowship Committee

(Eric C. McCarty, MD)

Selects Traveling Fellows and works with AOSSM President-Elect to choose a Godparent for upcoming tours. Develops and maintains relationships with ESSKA, APOA and SLARD. Oversees Traveling Fellowship Tours, including selection of hosts and itinerary. Note: Eligibility is contingent on previous participation as a Traveling Fellow.

THANK YOU, AOSSM VOLUNTEERS! The Society thanks all the volunteers who have given so generously of their time in service to AOSSM committees over the years. Your commitment drives the Society's contributions to the entire orthopaedic community.