



Are you looking to accelerate your research and leadership skills and contribute to advancing specialty certification?

Apply to the American Board of Medical Specialties Visiting Scholars Program

The **ABMS Visiting Scholars Program**™ is an annual grant program that supports early-career physicians and researchers in their research and facilitates their evolution as health care leaders within and across the ABMS community.

Grants of \$15,000 are awarded to support research and travel expenses associated with program participation and research deliverables. The grant may be applied to an existing research project with a new scope or an original research project.

The 2025-2026 program begins September 2025 and concludes at ABMS Conference 2026.



The American Board of Surgery is a sponsoring board of the ABMS Visiting Scholars Program. Possible research topics of interest to the board include:

- Value of board certification and/or continuing certification
- Continuing certification assessment and quality
- Diagnostic and prognostic excellence through initial or continuing certification, within and across specialties
- Adoption of competency-based medical education and innovative assessments for initial or continuing certification
- Health care equity and diversity across the continuum of physician professional development
- Trainee and diplomate engagement in quality and safety activities, especially if related to improving physician well-being
- Intersection between a physician's work, technology (e.g., electronic health records or artificial intelligence), and certification

Attend our free webinar on April 15, 2025

Register at [VisitingScholars.abms.org](https://visitingScholars.abms.org)



THE ABMS VISITING SCHOLARS EXPERIENCE

Scholars advance their [research projects](#) and learn from:

- Certification, research, and data science subject matter experts
- National thought leaders in medical education, certification, and health policy
- Colleagues within and across the certification community
- Peers, research mentors, and scholar alumni

The ABMS Visiting Scholars Program is a year-long program beginning each year in September. During their program year, ABMS Visiting Scholars remain at their home institutions and work with self-selected mentors. Scholars provide research project updates during monthly webinar sessions. They get feedback and guidance from their peers, mentors, subject matter experts, and ABMS Visiting Scholars alumni.

Scholars attend virtual ABMS committee meetings and present their research findings before a national audience at the annual ABMS Conference.

ELIGIBILITY

The ABMS Visiting Scholars Program is ideal for individuals looking to positively [impact their profession](#) as well as specialty certification through research. 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, and Veterans Affairs trainees and researchers. Student visas are not available.

The deadline to apply | 11:59 pm CT, June 23, 2025
Start your application at VisitingScholars.abms.org

APPLYING

Proposed research projects can be established projects with a new scope of work or original projects. A research mentor must be identified through the application process. All applicants should consider the impact of their project on reducing health disparities and contributing to the development of a qualified and diversified workforce.



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