

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The mission of the Association of Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators is to foster professional and leadership development opportunities on behalf of AODME members.

### CLEARINGHOUSE FOR INFORMATION

AODME serves as a clearinghouse for information as it relates to Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators. The AODME provides its membership with information on job descriptions, salary comparatives, mentoring programs, the DME handbook, and other tools and resources.

### EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

The AODME provides its members with the opportunity to attend general sessions as well as programs geared specifically to osteopathic directors and educators in graduate medical education (GME) at the annual Educational Conference. The AODME Education Committee assures its members the latest and most valuable information. Members in good standing qualify for reduced conference registration fees and can also earn continuing medical education (CME) credits.

### GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

AODME tracks federal graduate medical education (GME) policy developments, represents osteopathic GME interests before Congress and the federal agencies, and provides timely information to members on Medicare GME policies.

### LIAISON POSITIONS

AODME maintains close ties with related organizations to shape policy and ensure that its members' voices are heard. AODME leaders represent member DMEs and medical educators by serving as liaisons with the following groups:

- American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Board of Trustees (seated member)

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- Council on Postdoctoral Training (COPT)
- Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training Institution (OPTI) Sub Committee
- Intern Evaluation Task Force
- AOA Committee on CME
- American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM)
- AOA Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) Task Force
- Council on Postdoctoral Training – Core Competency
- Executive Committee of the Council on Postdoctoral Training (ECCOPT)
- Council on Predoctoral Education (CPE)

### PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION: THE COLLEGIUM OF FELLOWS

Membership in the Collegium of Fellows is the highest honor bestowed by the AODME. It is reserved for AODME members who demonstrate long and meritorious service to their profession as directors and educators in graduate osteopathic medical education as well as a significant level of support for and activity in the Association. Inductees are honored in a cap and gown investiture ceremony at the Annual Convention and are presented with a medallion and certificate of recognition. They also earn the privilege of using the initials "FAODME" after their names.

### PUBLICATIONS

The AODME provides its membership with two publications, the membership directory and the newsletter. The annual AODME directory is a valuable member benefit that provides the membership with instant access to essential contact information. The quarterly newsletter, *Taking The Lead*, provides members with a multitude of informational articles. In addition, the AODME also produces an electronic newsletter that provides members with time sensitive information throughout the year.

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