

Common Questions About Medical Student Section Operating Procedures

How much does membership in the TMA cost?

Membership for students is free!

Do I have to be a member of the AMA to be a member of TMA?

No, the AMA and TMA are two separate associations. Students must apply for membership in the TMA and/or the AMA, should they choose to become members.

Do I need to fill out two separate applications to be a student member of both the TMA and the AMA?

No, TMA has one student application for membership in your local county medical society, TMA, and the AMA. Upon receipt of your student application, it will be processed by TMA. If membership to the AMA is requested, then TMA will forward your information to the AMA, along with your AMA membership dues.

Where can I get an application for membership to TMA and the AMA?

To apply for TMA/AMA student membership online, go to: <http://join.texmed.org>.

What happens if I need to change my address or telephone number?

You may login and update your [profile](#) or contact the TMA Knowledge Center at (800) 880-7955 or email knowledge@texmed.org. You will also need to contact the AMA at (800) 262-3211 to update AMA's records.

Also, inform the TMA-MSS Coordinator of any changes by phone at (800) 880-1300, ext. 1445 or email at MSSinfo@texmed.org. If you serve as a MSS representative on a TMA board, council, or committee, notify the appropriate TMA staff of your new address as well.

Where can I find information about the Medical Student Section on the TMA Website?

Go to <http://www.texmed.org/mss>

How many times a year does the TMA Medical Student Section meet?

The TMA-MSS generally meets two times a year in conjunction with TMA conferences. The section meets during TexMed – TMA's Annual Session (April/May) – and again at the TMA Business of Medicine/Leadership Summit Conference (September/October).

Contact the TMA-MSS Coordinator at MSSinfo@texmed.org or (800) 880-1300, ext. 1445 for the following inquiries:

- Request a hard copy of the TMA/AMA membership application
- Receiving TMA publications (you will receive *Texas Medicine* between 4-6 weeks after your membership is activated at TMA)
- Recruitment questions
- Hosting a Brown Bag Luncheon
- Obtaining the TMA account balances for the TMA-MSS Chapter as treasurer.
 - o Current status and availability of AMA Outreach Account funds (Recruitment Award Money from the AMA Outreach Program). The AMA Outreach rebate checks are sent to TMA in November/December and again in March/April.

What should I do if I'm not getting my AMA publications?

Phone (800) 262-3211.

I paid for a 4-year membership to the AMA, but I haven't received my incentive gift.

Who should I contact?

Contact the AMA Membership Group – AMA-MSSOP, at msop@ama-assn.org.

What will happen to my membership after I graduate?

Tell us your plans and [update your contact information](#) to make sure you're connected.