

The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada Board of Directors

Call for Interest: Public Member designated to bring the perspective of the learner community to the AFMC Board of Directors

The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC) is currently seeking a Public Member who can provide a learner perspective to serve on its Board of Directors.

AFMC is the academic partnership of Canada's Faculties of Medicine. Through our collective leadership and advocacy, we will achieve excellence in education, research and care for the health of all Canadians. As the voice of Canadian academic medicine, AFMC supports the work of its member faculties to provide world class medical education, research and clinical care while at the same time advancing social accountability priorities.

The AFMC Board of Directors is composed of 24 Directors, including the Deans of Canada's 19 Faculties of Medicine and five Public Members, one of whom is designated to bring the perspective of the learner community.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be enrolled as a medical student or resident at a Canadian Faculty of Medicine;
- Be residing in Canada at the time of application and throughout their term of service; and
- Maintain learner status for the duration of their appointment.

The initial term for each Public Member designated to bring the perspective of the learner community will be three (3) years and may be renewed while the individual maintains learner status and continues to meet the eligibility requirements. If the Public Member designated to bring the perspective of the learner community ceases to be enrolled at a Canadian Faculty of Medicine, relocates outside of Canada, or otherwise no longer meets the eligibility requirements, they will no longer be eligible to continue serving as a Public Member of the Board.

In recruiting the Public Member designated to bring the perspective of the learner community in 2026, AFMC is seeking an individual who ideally holds knowledge of the medical education system, is familiar with AFMC's role, and has experience with one of Canada's learner organizations.

This is an opportunity to contribute to national discussions that support Canadian faculties of medicine, their faculty members, staff and learners, and to help inform AFMC's work in

advancing excellence in medical education, research, social accountability and health for all Canadians.

The Public Member designated to bring the perspective of the learner community will be expected to participate in Board meetings and related activities. AFMC Board meetings take place in person in Ottawa in the fall, and in person in the spring at the International Congress on Academic Medicine (ICAM). Virtual meetings are held in the winter and early summer. The Board also holds special 2-hour virtual calls quarterly. The successful candidate will be invited to join the AFMC Board meeting taking place on November 2 and 3, 2026, in Ottawa.

This is a volunteer role and does not offer remuneration; travel expenses related to in-person Board activities are reimbursed in accordance with AFMC's travel policy.

If you are interested in supporting the AFMC's work and contributing to the future of medical education across Canada's Faculties of Medicine, we invite you to submit a brief résumé and letter of interest by **Monday, September 7, 2026**, to president@afmc.ca.

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed virtually in early October 2026. The selected candidate will be invited to attend the November 2nd and 3rd 2026 Board meeting in Ottawa. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Should you have any questions, please contact Susan Blackmer at sblackmer@afmc.ca.