

SNMMI and ACGME Equity Matters Initiative

SNMMI announced on August 4 its partnership with the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) in ACGME Equity Matters, a new initiative that introduces a framework for continuous learning and process improvement in diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracism practices. The initiative aims to drive change within graduate medical education by increasing physician workforce diversity and building safe and inclusive learning environments, while promoting health equity by addressing racial disparities in health care and overall population health.

The ACGME Equity Matters framework includes 2 key components: (1) educational resources that will be available to all involved in GME; and (2) collaborative Learning

Communities drawn from national stakeholder groups made up of GME Sponsoring Institutions and programs, including faculty members and individual residents/fellows, as well as specialty societies and other health care partners. The Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS), of which SNMMI is a member, and the Organization of Program Director Associations (OPDA) launched their participation in the program with the convening of 2 Learning Communities that will initiate an 18-mo engagement cycle. This partnership will support diversity, equity, inclusion, and antiracist practices and policies across the full continuum from physician training to physicians in practice. Core teams from CMSS and OPDA members will include an elected leader to champion the initiative and senior executive leaders who will be

accountable for implementing policy and practice changes.

The ACGME program will offer a phased curriculum to enable participants to move through progressively more complex concepts within 4 domains: acknowledgment, acceptance and accountability, action, and assessment and adaptation. Also included will be tools and skills training to drive implementation of innovative interventions, practices, policies, and data strategies. Forty-two organizations, including 31 CMSS Member Specialty Societies and 11 PDAs, will be participating in the inaugural 18-mo cohort of the learning communities. More information is available at: <https://acgme.org/What-We-Do/Diversity-Equity-and-Inclusion/ACGME-Equity-Matters/>.

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