



Orientation to the FMEC

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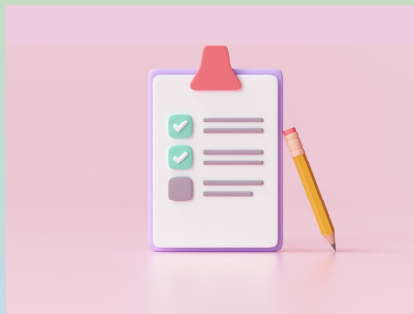
The FMEC Mission is to improve the health of the nation by strengthening family medicine and primary care to meet its full potential.

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Agenda

- Introductions and Stories
- About the Family Medicine Education Consortium (FMEC)
- How to get involved
- What do you need! How might the FMEC support you better?
- Future Annual Meetings

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How residents benefit from the FMEC

- Opportunities to present and share your scholarly activity
 - Share your creativity via the FMEC awards program
 - Create connections across programs and state lines
 - Pursue a personal passion
 - Find your community at our Annual Meetings
 - Think about your future and its possibilities

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About the FMEC



The FMEC is a **catalyst, convener, incubator**

- Promote family medicine and primary care to medical students
- Support residents as they transition in their careers
- Strengthen academic family medicine through faculty development, mentoring and leadership experiences
- Create and sustain quality improvement initiatives
- Stimulate innovative approaches to primary care service delivery

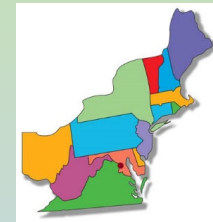
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About the FMEC



- Independent, regional nonprofit – unique!
- 14 States + DC
 - About 60 Medical School Departments of Family Medicine
 - Over 190 Family Medicine Residency Programs
- Individual and Organizational Memberships
 - ~90 hospitals/health systems join as Partners
 - Some Partnerships include free memberships for all residents
 - Individual resident dues are \$30



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Programming/Initiatives Annual Meetings

- 2022 Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA
 - 89 Residency Fair booths!
 - 257 presentations (including 94 posters)
- 2023 Annual Meeting, Providence, RI
 - October 13-15, 2023
 - Record-breaking submissions!
- 2024 – Philadelphia, Sept 19-21
- 2025 – Cleveland, dates TBD



Watch for the 2024 Annual Meeting call for submissions to open in December 2023; deadline early February 2024

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Programming/Initiatives

At the Annual Meeting

Residency Fair

- 60-90 residency programs participate
- Opportunity for medical students and program directors/faculty to meet
- 2 hours each day Friday and Saturday
- Staffed by program director/faculty and resident (resident registration is included free)

Preparing to Succeed in Practice

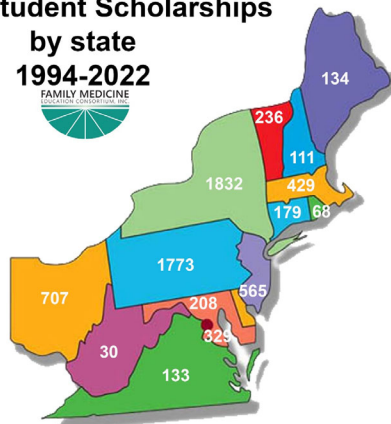
- Sessions on practice options, job seeking and interviewing, and loan management
- Watch for virtual series in late 2023-early 2024

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Programming/Initiatives

Student Scholarships

**Historical Map showing
FMEC Student Scholarships
by state
1994-2022**



- Nearly 7,700 students since 1994
- 300 students each year
- 45-55 schools participate

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Programming/Initiatives

Learning Collaboratives

- Connecting residency training programs across the region for shared learning and QI
- Topics have included
 - chronic pain and substance abuse
 - “super utilizers”
 - low birthweight/4th trimester care
 - integrative medicine
 - hereditary cancer and narrative medicine

From ACGME Guidelines

Learning collaboratives (also known as communities of practice, learning communities, and learning networks . . . comprise multiple parties that work together toward a certain set of mutually agreed upon objectives . . . enhance population care across regions by sharing best practices to deliver high-quality patient care . . . decide the appropriate educational strategy to tackle problems common to the collaborative.

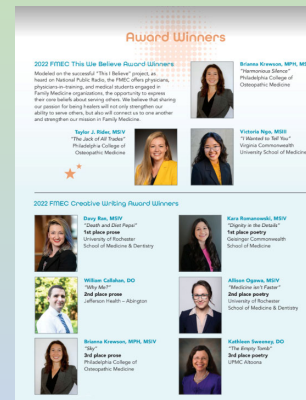
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Awards

- Recognize career accomplishments as well as writing and visual arts
- Call for nominations and submissions open in early spring 2024
- Residents and students often win creative awards
 - This We Believe - expressions of core attitudes, beliefs, and personal philosophies about caring for others
 - Creative Writing – prose and poetry
 - Visual Arts – any media

FMEC Awards

Family Physicians Changing Our World
 Mid-Career Faculty Achievement
 Emerging Leaders
 This We Believe
 Creative Writing
 Visual Arts



How can residents get involved?

Participate in the FMEC

- Submit for an award
- Present at the Annual Meeting
- Come to the Annual Meeting
- Help staff your Residency Fair booth
- Present with faculty on a Family Medicine Residency Showcase
- Find a mentor or connect with like-minded doctors
- Write or edit for our upcoming journal
- Do an internship with FMEC
- Join the FMEC as an individual member

Be a volunteer

- Host Committee, Planning Committee
- Initiative advisory group members
- Committee members
- Juries, judges
- Chapter/national organization liaisons
- Regional leaders

Be an FMEC leader

- Apply for new position on FMEC board
- Help start a new initiative

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Questions about the FMEC?



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FMEC Staff

See <https://www.fmec.net/fmec-staff>

Scott G. Allen, MS, CEO (since 2021)

Lisa Schwieterman, CPS, Senior Administrative Assistant (since 2000)

- General admin, finances, Annual Meeting submissions and program schedule

Jennifer Stamper, Project Coordinator (since 2008)

- Student scholarships, graphics/marketing, newsletters, job postings

Shayla Rammel, Project Coordinator (since 2013)

- Exhibits, sponsorships, marketing and social media

Consultants:

- Doug Hull, CFO

- Susan Ekert, Fundraising

- Rebecca Bouck, Manager, Education and QI

- Kathy Fredericks, QI Consultant

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Join us!



FMEC 2023 Annual Meeting
October 13-15, 2023
Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI
<https://www.fmec.net/2023-annual-meeting>



FMEC 2024 Annual Meeting
September 19-21, 2024
Philadelphia Marriott, Philadelphia, PA
<https://www.fmec.net/news-releases>

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