

PAFP Committee Descriptions

Governance & Leadership Committee

The purpose of the Governance Committee ensures that the Board is focused on its primary responsibility and to create a thriving future for family medicine and the members of the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians. The Committee carries out its work by examining how the board is functioning, how board members communicate, and whether the board is fulfilling its responsibilities. Responsibilities include nominate, evaluate and retain board members; create a leadership succession plan and opportunities for board members; and, orient, mentor, and provide education and skills for board members.

Continuing Professional Development Committee

Provides oversight and directs development of all continuing medical education programs. The Committee meets twice a year in person and via teleconference or other means as needed. Expectations include subject matter selection with a focus on board review and physician personal and professional wellness, input into learner objectives, peer review of slides to absolve potential conflicts, possible review of other conference development material, teleconferencing, and attendance at meetings.

Government and Practice Advocacy Committee

Provides recommendations to the Board of Directors on policies related to legislative, regulatory and legal affairs. Reviews current health care legislation and recommends changes that will enhance quality health care. Communicate and provide advocacy for family physicians practicing in urban, suburban and rural areas of the Commonwealth. Commission meets twice a year. Expectations include agenda review, teleconferencing, and attendance at meetings.

Resident and Student Affairs Committee

Analyzes trends related to medical student interest in family medicine and effectiveness of current family medicine resident and student initiatives. Commission also works with appropriate entities to advocate for family medicine, promote the specialty to qualified medical graduates to enter family medicine, and oversees the annual Spring Family Medicine Conference. Commission meets twice a year. Expectations include agenda review, teleconferencing, and attendance at meetings.