

Dear friends:

In this time of contentious national discourse, I love our AMA's exemplary democratic model, where anyone with healthcare policy ideas can present them, muster support, establish policy, and accomplish real change!

I have co-authored several resolutions which became official AMA-HOD policies (including our YPS resolution on "Camp AMA" last year). While I don't have all the ideas, I've learned to navigate the "system" and empower my colleagues to become effective advocates: <https://www.alberthsumd.com/>.

One hallmark of AMA-YPS is frequent transition. As Chair, I pledge to strengthen our connections to state medical societies, many of which are experiencing membership crises, as residents and young physicians focus on establishing their credentials within their specialty societies. As we transition between states in our career trajectories, YPS leaders are often an untapped, critical resource for state societies to build their YPS membership. While our AMA advocacy experience may be underappreciated in new states that we transition to, AMA-YPS leaders can help build bridges between individual YPS physicians and those states, building a mentorship network in the process.

As Chair, I will enhance our state society participation and bolster our AMA-YPS mentorship network. In my organized medicine journey, I have worked closely with state society leadership, PAC leadership, and advocacy efforts in New York, Massachusetts, Virginia, New Hampshire, and Missouri. With further YPS membership development in our state and specialty societies, I imagine a future in which this momentum will enhance the AMA leadership potential of us all.

Please vote Albert Hsu for Chair-Elect.