

Ten things to know about AΩA

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society

1. Since 1902, the AΩA mission and motto—**Be worthy to serve the suffering**—has remained steadfast and true and been a time-honored tradition throughout the profession of medicine.
2. AΩA provides more than **\$2 million annually** to medical school students, faculty, residents, fellows, and private practice physicians through its 13 programs, awards, fellowships, and grants.
3. AΩA is committed to **improving diversity, equity, and inclusion** based on evidence that involvement of talented individuals from different backgrounds benefits patient care, population health, education, research, and scientific discovery.
4. The Society's **Constitution** ensures that Chapters are recognizing the highest levels of excellence in physicianship, and supports elections that are inclusive, diverse, and equitable.
5. AΩA is committed to **developing physician leadership** and **medical professionalism**, creating tomorrow's physician leaders through a year-long Fellowship.
6. Since 1938, AΩA has published the preeminent, peer-reviewed, quarterly medical humanities journal **The Pharos**, with an online index, and local library of articles for every issue dating back to the first one.
7. AΩA is one of the only interdisciplinary honor medical societies, **accepting members from all disciplines, practices, specialties, and sub-specialties** of medicine.
8. AΩA has **138 Chapters** in LCME-accredited medical schools.
9. Since its inception, AΩA has elected nearly **210,000 members**, with more than 120,000 who are active today.
10. **The AΩA National Office** is extremely efficient and effective, with 7 staff conducting the work of the office and producing *The Pharos* ensuring that 100% of annual dues is returned to the medical community.

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