Interested in Participating in USMLE Test Material Development Committees

USMLE is a three-step examination for medical licensure in the United States and is sponsored by the Federation of State Medical Boards and the National Board of Medical Examiners. The USMLE assesses a physician's ability to apply knowledge, concepts, and principles, and to demonstrate fundamental patient-centered skills that are important in health and disease and that constitute the basis of safe and effective patient care. Examination materials for the USMLE are prepared by committees and task forces composed of senior faculty members, teachers, investigators, and clinicians with recognized prominence in their fields. Committee members are selected to provide broad representation from across the United States and from the academic, practice, and licensing communities.

Qualifications for appointment to a USMLE committee are provided below. The program is particularly interested in increasing the number of women, representatives of minority populations, and individuals who work with diverse and/or underserved populations in the pool of nominees. They are seeking nominees with expertise in the following content areas: patient safety, cultural competence, medical ethics/professionalism, systems-based practice, and practice-based learning and improvement. In addition, nominees with experience on state medical boards are needed.

The USMLE has an online system for collecting nominations, and will follow up on entries made by contacting individuals suggested. After reviewing the criteria outlined below, please click on the URL below to enter names of anyone you would suggest for consideration. You will be prompted for user ID and password:

www.nbme.org/nominees
UserID = nominees
Password = submission001

QUALIFICATIONS FOR USMLE TEST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE NOMINEES

Recognized achievement in pertinent content areas:

**Foundational Science Disciplines** – Behavioral Sciences, Biochemistry, Biostatistics/Epidemiology, Evidence-based Medicine, Histology and Cell Biology, Gross Anatomy, Intro to Clinical Diagnosis, Medical Anthropology, Microbiology and Immunology, Molecular Medicine, Neuroscience, Pathology, Pharmacology, Physiology

**Clinical Science Disciplines** – Anesthesiology, Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Geriatrics, Genetics, Internal Medicine, Neurology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Psychiatry, Public Health, Surgery

Nominees should possess the MD or DO degree, although other graduate degrees are appropriate for certain content areas (eg, doctoral degrees; other degrees with experience in standardized patient training). Nominees should possess excellent interpersonal skills, as well as the ability to complete tasks and adhere to established schedules. USMLE looks for individuals with knowledge and experience in the context of both the practice and teaching of medicine in the United States.

In addition, it is desirable for nominees to possess some of the following characteristics:

- Experience in and recognition for teaching medical students and residents (course, core, clerkship, and residency program directors are particularly appropriate). A faculty appointment in an accredited medical school is preferred but not required
- Experience as a clinician or working in clinical environments
- Experience with the state medical licensing process
- Evidence of scholarship

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