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*On July 28, 2022, the AAMC, along with the following health professional and educational organizations, submitted an amicus brief to the U.S. Supreme Court in support of the limited consideration of an applicant's racial or ethnic background or experiences in higher education admissions:*

**Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)** is the national agency for the accreditation of professional degree programs in pharmacy and providers of continuing pharmacy education. In collaboration with the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, ACPE accredits pharmacy technician education and training programs. ACPE also offers evaluation and certification of professional degree programs internationally.

**The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP)** is a non-profit organization established in 1953 composed of child and adolescent psychiatrists and other interested physicians. Our members actively research, evaluate, diagnose, and treat psychiatric disorders and pride themselves on giving direction to and responding quickly to new developments in addressing the health care needs of children and their families.

**The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)**, founded in 1947, is one of the largest national medical organizations, representing 127,600 family physicians and medical students nationwide. AAFP seeks to improve the health of patients, families, and communities by advocating for the health of the public and by supporting its members in providing continuous comprehensive health care to all.

**American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)** represents 67,000 primary care pediatricians, pediatric medical subspecialists, and surgical specialists who are committed to the attainment of optimal physical, mental, and social health and well-being for all infants, children, adolescents, and young adults.

**The American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (AAPL)**, with approximately 2000 psychiatrist members, is the leading national organization of physicians who specialize in forensic psychiatry. AAPL is dedicated to excellence in practice, teaching, and research in forensic psychiatry. AAPL has participated in numerous cases before the US Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal.

**The American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry (AAGP)**, established in 1978, is the only national association which represents the community of geriatric psychiatrists, health professionals, scientists, and advocates committed to improving mental health care and wellness in aging adults.

**The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)** is the national voice for academic nursing representing more than 850 schools of nursing nationwide, which enroll more than 565,000 students and employ more than 52,000 nurse faculty. AACN establishes quality standards for nursing education; assists schools in implementing those standards; influences the nursing profession to improve health care; and promotes public support for professional nursing education, research, and practice. See [aacnnursing.org](http://aacnnursing.org).

**American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM)** was founded in 1898 to lend support and assistance to the nation's osteopathic medical schools, and to serve as a unifying voice for osteopathic medical education.

**American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)**, founded in 1900, is the national organization representing the interests of pharmacy education. AACP is comprised of 142 accredited schools with pharmacy degree programs, including more than 6,700 faculty, 61,000 students enrolled in professional programs, and 6,000 individuals pursuing graduate study.

**The American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine's (AACPM)** mission is to serve as the leader in facilitating and promoting excellence in podiatric medical education leading to the delivery of the highest quality lower extremity healthcare to the public. AACPM's membership consists of nine podiatric medical schools and more than 200 hospitals and institutions that offer postdoctoral training in podiatric medicine. The Association serves as a national forum for the exchange of ideas, issues formation and concerns relating to podiatric medical education. AACPM's vision is to ensure, through collaboration and other appropriate means, that academic podiatric medicine is a vibrant community of schools and residency programs and other entities staffed with administrators, teachers, and researchers capable of educating and training a podiatric workforce relevant to the needs of the public, generating new biomedical knowledge, and providing academically based health services.

**American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training (AADPRT)**, founded in 1970, works to further the education and professional development of psychiatry educators and program coordinators. To better meet the nation's mental healthcare needs, the mission of the American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training is to promote excellence in the education and training of future psychiatrists, and to best prepare them to meet challenges by fostering a transformative environment that embraces diversity, inclusion, equity and justice.

**The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)** is the specialty's premier professional membership organization dedicated to the improvement of women's health. With more than 62,000 members representing more than 90% of board-certified ob-gyns in the United States, ACOG is dedicated to the advancement of women's health care, including advancing the core value of access for all women to high quality safe health care.

**The American College of Physicians (ACP)** is the largest medical specialty organization and the second largest physician membership society in the United States. ACP members include 160,000 internal medicine physicians (internists), related subspecialists, and medical students. Internal medicine physicians are specialists who apply scientific knowledge, clinical expertise,

and compassion to the preventive, diagnostic, and therapeutic care of adults across the spectrum from health to complex illness.

**The American College of Psychiatrists (ACP)** founded in 1963, is a not-for-profit honorary association dedicated to providing continuing education to its members, promoting the latest advances in the specialty, and supporting the highest standards in psychiatry. Membership in The College is limited to 750 practicing psychiatrists who have demonstrated outstanding competence and national recognition in the field of psychiatry.

**American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering (AIMBE)** is an honorific, nonprofit society providing leadership and advocacy in medical and biological engineering for the benefit of society. Representing the most accomplished individuals in the fields of medical and biological engineering, AIMBE's Fellows are peer nominated, peer reviewed and peer elected. AIMBE's College of Fellows has more than 2,000 members from over 30 countries, although most are located and do research in the United States. The majority of Fellows teach and conduct research on university campuses, however, AIMBE Fellows are at every level of government service, in clinical practice, and are employed at more than 200 companies operating around the globe. No other organization brings together academia, industry, government and scientific societies to form a highly influential community advancing medical and biological engineering.

**American Dental Education Association (ADEA)** is The Voice of Dental Education. Our mission is to lead institutions and individuals in the dental education community to address contemporary issues influencing education, research, and the delivery of oral health for the overall health and safety of the public. Our members include all 79 accredited U.S. and Canadian dental schools, more than 800 allied and advanced dental education programs, more than 50 corporations and approximately 15,000 individuals.

**The American Medical Association (AMA)** is the largest professional association of physicians, residents, and medical students in the United States. Additionally, through state and specialty medical societies and other physician groups seated in its House of Delegates, substantially all physicians, residents, and medical students in the United States are represented in the AMA's policy-making process. The AMA was founded in 1847 to promote the art and science of medicine and the betterment of public health, and these remain its core purposes. AMA members practice in every medical specialty and in every state.

**The American Medical Student Association (AMSA)** is the oldest and largest US medical student governed organization that has been advocating for better patient outcomes and better working conditions for medical students and residents for over 70 years. AMSA focuses on promoting diversity, addressing the social and political determinants of health, ensuring access to equitable, affordable healthcare, and ensuring medical students are trained to treat patients to the best of their abilities.

**The American Pediatric Society (APS)** is a nonprofit organization founded in 1888 as the first pediatric society in North America. The mission of the APS is to shape the future of academic pediatrics through engagement of distinguished child-health leaders to represent the full diversity within the field. The 1,800 plus members of APS are recognized leaders of extraordinary achievement who work together to shape the future of academic pediatrics.

**The American Psychiatric Association (APA)**, with more than 37,400 members, is the nation's leading organization of physicians specializing in psychiatry. APA and its members engage in research into and education about diagnosis and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders. For decades, APA has developed evidence-based recommendations and standards for assessment and treatment of psychiatric disorders and used such standards in treatment of their patients. The APA is an organization of psychiatrists working together to ensure culturally sensitive care and effective treatment for all persons with mental disorders and substance-related disorders, and therefore recognizes the value of diversity in practice, including incorporating considerations of race, ethnicity, and culture into its recent release of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders 5-TR, and sponsoring fellowships for diverse medical residents. APA supports diversity in medical education and training through the American Psychiatric Association Foundation's pipeline program which mentors undergraduate students of diverse backgrounds who are interested in going to medical school and pursuing a career in psychiatry.

**The American Public Health Association (APHA)** champions the health of all people and all communities; strengthens the profession of public health; shares the latest research and information; promotes best practices; and advocates for public health issues and policies grounded in scientific research. APHA represents more than 22,000 individual members and is the only organization that combines a 150-year perspective, a broad-based member community, and the ability to influence federal policy to improve the public's health.

**The American Society of Hematology (ASH)** represents more than 18,000 clinicians and scientists worldwide who are committed to the study and treatment of blood and blood-related diseases. These disorders encompass malignant hematologic disorders such as leukemia, lymphoma, and multiple myeloma, as well as classical hematologic conditions such as sickle cell disease, thalassemia, bone marrow failure, venous thromboembolism, and hemophilia. In addition, hematologists are pioneers in demonstrating the potential of treating various hematologic diseases and continue to be innovators in the field of stem cell biology, regenerative medicine, transfusion medicine, and gene therapy.

**The American Society of Hispanic Psychiatry (ASHP)** is a non-profit, professional society whose goals are: (1) to promote research, professional education, and clinical activities in the field of mental health through the participation and collaboration of Hispanic psychiatrists, psychologists, and other mental health professionals in the United States, Latin America, and the Iberian Peninsula (Spain and Portugal); (2) to promote the collaborative process between Hispanic mental health professionals and other Latino-focused organizations in the United States, Latin America, and the Iberian Peninsula; (3) to advocate for policies based on the best

available scientific evidence that aims to eliminate the health disparities prevalent in Latino and other minority populations; and (4) to support Latino patients, families, and communities in the promotion of wellness and inclusion initiatives.

**The Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association (APAMSA)** is the largest, official 501(c)(3) nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of pan-Asian healthcare students, providers, and physicians committed to addressing the unique health challenges of the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) communities through leadership, mentorship, advocacy, and service. Since 1995, APAMSA has served as the leading national forum for student leaders to discuss AANHPI health issues and implement national initiatives. APAMSA is a rapidly growing, diverse organization with more than 160+ chapters nationwide representing over 10,000 members of all pan-Asian heritages across the country.

**Associated Medical Schools of New York (AMSNY)** is the consortium of the 17 medical schools in New York State, which includes public and private, allopathic and osteopathic schools. AMSNY is the voice of medical education in New York State, advancing biomedical research, diversity in medical school and the physician workforce and high quality and cost-efficient care. AMSNY also oversees a scholarship program, a portfolio of diversity pipeline programs across the educational spectrum and is recognized as a leader in the medical school diversity space.

**The Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP)** is a charitable organization 50 years strong committed as an educational and scientific non-profit corporation. A group of fourteen American Indian and Alaska Native physicians sought to establish an organization that would provide both support and services to the American Indian and Alaska Native communities. AAIP strives to improve the health of American Indian and Alaska Natives.

**Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC)** member institutions promote and protect the health and wellbeing of people, animals, and the environment by advancing the profession of veterinary medicine and preparing new generations of veterinarians to meet the evolving needs of a changing world. Founded in 1966, the AAVMC represents more than 40,000 faculty, staff and students across the global academic veterinary medical community. Our member institutions include veterinary medical colleges and schools in the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, the United Kingdom, Europe, Asia, Australia, and New Zealand as well as departments of veterinary science and departments of comparative medicine in the U.S.

**The Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions (ASAHP)** is a national association whose membership consists of over 125 nonprofit universities offering 175 different academic programs and more than 930-degree programs focused on health professions and the health sciences

**The Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO)** advances optometric education and research to enhance the health and well-being of the public. Founded in 1941 and headquartered in Rockville, Maryland, ASCO is committed to achieving excellence in optometric education and to helping its member institutions prepare well-qualified graduates for entrance into the profession of optometry. Its membership encompasses the schools and colleges of optometry in the United States and Canada.

**The Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH)** represents over 130 schools and programs of public health accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). Our membership includes over 10,800 faculty and over 72,000 students. ASPPH strives to strengthen the capacity of members by advancing leadership, excellence, and collaboration in public health education, research, and practice.

**The Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA)** is a global network of colleges, universities, faculty, individuals and organizations dedicated to the improvement of health and healthcare delivery through excellence in healthcare management and policy education. Its mission is to foster excellence and drive innovation in health management and policy education and promote the value of university-based management education for leadership roles in the health sector. It is the only non-profit entity of its kind that works to improve the delivery of health services – and thus the health of citizens – throughout the world by educating professional managers. AUPHA's membership includes the premier baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degree programs in health administration education in the United States, Canada, and around the world. Its faculty and individual members represent more than 300 colleges and universities.

**The Association of Women Psychiatrists (AWP)** was founded in 1983 to mobilize women psychiatrists nationally and internationally to work together for quality mental health care of all persons, with a focus on women. AWP promotes inclusive leadership, networking opportunities, and the professional development and advancement of women in psychiatry.

**The Black Psychiatrists of America (BPA)** was created in 1969. Today, we serve as expert clinicians, supporters, and educators for mental health. We work together to eliminate racial, ethnic, religious, and gender bias and discrimination as well as prejudicial practices.

**Council Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS)** was founded in 1965 to provide an independent forum for the discussion by medical specialists of issues of national interest and mutual concern. Today, 47 societies with more than 800,000 U.S. physician members are members of CMSS.

**The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)**, founded in 1952, is the national association representing social work education in the United States. Its members include over 800 accredited baccalaureate and master's degree social work programs, as well as individual social work educators, practitioners, and agencies dedicated to advancing quality social work education. Through its many initiatives, activities, and centers, CSWE supports quality social work education and provides opportunities for leadership and professional development, so that social

workers play a central role in achieving the profession's goals of social and economic justice. CSWE's Commission on Accreditation is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as the sole accrediting agency for social work education in the United States and its territories.

**The Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA)** is a national organization with over 2,000 members in 140 chapters across the country in allopathic and osteopathic medical schools. LMSA provides programming, mentorship, and opportunities for medical students to learn about and help advance the health of Latino/a/x communities; as well as helping underrepresented students succeed at several points in their medical education journey.

**The National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association (NAAPIMHA)** is a non-profit 501c3 advocating to improve the overall health of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders, recognizing the role mental health plays at all levels of the community's well-being. Access is frequently cited as key to eliminating disparities in care but unfortunately there is often little for AA, NH and PIs to access. Developing policies and initiatives that improve the current workforce are imperative, recognizing the critical role of culture, language access, historical trauma, and traditional ways of healing. Failure to do so only perpetuates the inequities faced by diverse populations.

**The National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians (NCAPIP)** represents Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander physicians committed to the advancement of the health and well-being of their patients and communities. NCAPIP believes in shaping health care in America to meet the diversity of needs for all Americans and achieve health equity

**The National Hispanic Medical Association (NHMA)** is a nonprofit representing 50,000 Hispanic licensed physicians dedicated to improving the health of Hispanics and other underserved. We strongly support diversity in medicine and the continuation of recruitment, admissions and promotions that takes into account race/ethnicity at all levels of academic medicine and the healthcare system in the U.S.

**The National Medical Association (NMA)**, established in 1895, is the nation's oldest and largest professional and scientific organization representing more than 50,000 African American physicians and their patients. The NMA is the conscience of parity and justice in healthcare, and advocates for health and wellness, the elimination of disparities in health, support of physician viability and promotion of health equity.

**National Medical Fellowships (NMF)**, founded in 1946, is one of the first diversity organizations in the nation. Long before "diversity" was a national value, NMF gave scholarships to African American medical students who otherwise could not have afforded a medical education, and once they became physicians, supported them in navigating a segregated health care system. Today, NMF provides need-based and merit scholarships to Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) students of medicine and other health professions, supports diverse practitioners of health care, and works to increase diversity in clinical research.

NMF's aim is to eliminate health disparities and ensure equitable access to culturally competent, high-quality health care.

**The Philippine Psychiatrists in America (PPA)** is a non-profit organization comprised of Filipino Psychiatrists practicing in the United States and Canada. Founded in 1974, PPA aims to promote professional growth and camaraderie among its members.

**The Physician Assistant Education Association (PAEA)** represents the 282 accredited PA education programs in the United States. In alignment with the Association's vision of Health for All, PAEA is committed to supporting the development of a diverse health workforce that is reflective of the communities it serves.

**The Society for Pediatric Research (SPR)** is a not-for-profit organization that was founded in 1929 and has over 4,400 members. SPR's mission is to create a network of multi-disciplinary researchers to improve child health. In pursuit of this mission SPR is guided by three goals: Connect, Collaborate, and Catalyze Research. Specifically, SPR works to: (1) Connect: Facilitate active communications among and between researchers; (2) Collaborate: Promote research collaborations through mentoring and knowledge sharing and (3) Catalyze research: Advocate for funding and policies supportive of research.

**The Student National Medical Association (SNMA)**, founded in 1964, has been the voice of underrepresented students in medicine. Our mission is to support current and future underrepresented medical students by addressing the needs of underserved communities and increasing the number of clinically excellent, culturally competent, and socially conscious physicians. SNMA has a membership of more than 7,000 medical students, residents, and physicians, in ten regions, 115 SNMA chapters and 96 premed students (MAPS) Chapters across the United States and the Caribbean.