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Call for Nominations: Advocacy Coordinating Committee

Deadline: August 23, 2021

Nominations are sought for the **Advocacy Coordinating Committee (ACC)**. It consists of no less than 12 members serving 3-year terms. Three new ACC member appointments will begin on January 1, 2022 and end December 31, 2024. Nominations may originate from individuals (including self-nominations), APA boards and committees, APA divisions, and state, provincial and territorial psychological associations (SPTAs).

Committee Mission

The ACC is responsible for evaluating and recommending to the Board of Directors biennial [advocacy priorities](#) with respect to impact on both the discipline of psychology and the professions of psychologists in scientific, educational, public interest, health service practice and applied practice settings. Within APA/APASI's integrated c3/c6 advocacy model, the ACC is responsible for developing a highly inclusive and transparent input process that recognizes the importance of both long-term advocacy goals, and the need for agility in carrying out advocacy priorities in a fast-paced political environment.

Committee's Charge per the APASI Bylaws

"...There shall be an Advocacy Coordinating Committee (ACC) whose responsibility shall be to evaluate and prioritize advocacy goals with respect to impact on both the discipline of psychology and the professions of psychologists in scientific, educational, public interest, health service practice and applied practice settings. ACC shall consist of no fewer than 12 members who shall broadly represent all aspects of the Corporation's diverse membership including disciplinary focus, demographic diversity, student membership, and members at all career stages, and in various employment settings. The members of the ACC shall be chosen by the Board of Directors based on a nominating process set forth in rules adopted by the Board of Directors that are designed to achieve the representational goals set forth in this paragraph..."

Nominee Qualifications

- The Board of Directors is seeking a balanced ACC that broadly represents all aspects of APA's diverse membership including disciplinary focus, demographic diversity, diversity of career stage (including student membership) and various employment settings.
- Policy or advocacy experience, as well as experience in APA/APASI governance, divisions and/or SPTAs, are desired.
- Members of the APA Council of Representatives are eligible to serve concurrently on the ACC, but members of other APA and APASI boards and committees may not serve concurrently on the ACC.
- The Board of Directors is seeking individuals with creative problem-solving expertise in different advocacy settings to advance APA/APASI priorities, including Congress, Federal agencies, state government, local government, community organizations, private industry and more.

Responsibilities

- Members of the ACC are expected to attend all called meetings of the whole committee and actively participate in at least one of the ACC's subcommittees.
- It is anticipated that the committee will have at least one in-person meeting in Washington, DC, and virtual meetings (frequency determined by the ACC at its January meeting) based on the scope of work.



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- ACC members will be invited to actively participate in at least one APA Advocacy event annually (which may include Advocacy Summits, trainings, or Psychology PAC events).
- ACC members are expected to keep abreast of significant advocacy developments and initiatives through the review and sharing of periodic updates. Members are encouraged to share advocacy goals across platforms and social media and respond to action alerts.
- ACC members may be asked to serve as a liaison to various APA governance groups.

How to Apply

Nominees must be members, graduate student affiliates of APA, or non-psychologists with relevant state advocacy or leadership experience. Each nomination packet must include the information listed below.

- Curriculum vitae
- Brief statement of interest (max 200 words)
- Completed diversity matrix (see attached form)

Please use the [electronic nomination form](#) to submit a nomination packet by **Monday, August 23, 2021**.

Further information regarding the Advocacy Coordinating Committee may be found at <https://www.apaservices.org/advocacy/governance>.

Questions may be directed to Andrew Ferreira, Manager of Congressional and Federal Relations, at aferreira@apa.org.