

CMSS Call for Leadership Applications 2026

CMSS Board of Directors and Standing Committees

The Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS) is now accepting applications for the **Board of Directors** (President-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, Director at Large) and all **Standing Committees** (Bylaws, Finance, Membership, Nominating).

CMSS is looking for passionate, engaged volunteers who want to make a difference in our community of specialty societies. All CEOs and Senior Staff (preferably C-suite or PPG leaders) with CMSS Member Societies are encouraged to apply. Please consider applying yourself or sharing this opportunity with other leaders in your society. **Applications are due October 19, 2026.**

The CMSS Nominating Committee will review the applicants and make recommendations to the CMSS Board of Directors and the CMSS CEO Council. All terms are for two years unless otherwise noted. New terms begin after the conclusion of the Annual Meeting (November 20, 2026).

Application of Interest Questions

This information is for reference only, applications must be submitted through the [online form](#).

Applicant Information

- Applicant Name
- Organization Name
- Applicant Job Title
- Applicant Email
- Applicant Phone
- Administrative Contact Email
- Bio & CV (upload)

Role Selection and Statement of Interest

- Would you like to be considered for a Board of Directors position? Y/N
 - Board of Directors Roles (select one/multiple)
 - President Elect (1 year term)
 - Treasurer (Special Call: 1 year term, renewable for additional 2 year term)
 - Secretary (2 year term, renewable)
 - Director at Large (2 year term, renewable)
 - In 150-300 words, please describe your background, interest in, and anticipated contributions to the Board position(s) for which you have applied:
- Would you like to be considered for a Standing Committee position? Y/N
 - Standing Committees (select one/multiple)
 - Bylaws
 - Finance
 - Membership

- Nominating
- In 150-300 words, please describe your background, interest in, and anticipated contributions to the Committee position(s) for which you have applied

Role Details

Refer to the [CMSS Bylaws](#) for additional details.

President Elect

- Serves a 1-year term, followed by a 1-year term as President and a final 1-year term as Past President
- Members of the CEO Council and current/former members of the Board of Directors encouraged to apply
- Service includes 2 in-person meetings per year (April & August), monthly virtual meetings, and regular email business

Treasurer

- *Special Call:* Serves a 1-year term, renewable for an additional 2-year term
- The Treasurer is a member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Finance Committee
- Members of the CEO Council, current/former members of the Board of Directors, current/former Finance Committee members, and members of the CFO and COO PPG encouraged to apply
- Experience with organizational finance, budgeting, and audit oversight required
- Service includes 2 in-person meetings per year (April & August), monthly virtual meetings, and regular email business

Secretary

- Serves a 2-year, renewable term
- The Secretary is a member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Membership Committee
- Members of the CEO Council, current/former members of the Board of Directors, current/former Membership Committee members, and current/former PPG Chairs encouraged to apply
- Service includes 2 in-person meetings per year (April & August), monthly virtual meetings, and regular email business

Director At Large

- Serves a 2-year, renewable term
- Members of the CEO Council, and current/former PPG Chairs, Committee, and Task Force Members encouraged to apply
- Service includes 2 in-person meetings per year (April & August), virtual meetings every other month, and occasional email business

For all Board Members: In-person attendance at all regular CMSS Events, including the Annual Meeting and Spring Meeting, strongly encouraged.

Committees

- All committee members serve 2-year, renewable terms
- Members of the CEO Council, current/former PPG Chairs, and other society C-Suite and senior leaders are encouraged to apply
- Service includes periodic virtual meetings as business arises (1-3 meetings per year) and occasional email business. Some committees may not meet in a given year (i.e. Bylaws).
- **Bylaws:** Governance Directors, General Counsels, and COOs encouraged
- **Finance:** CFOs and COOs encouraged
- **Membership:** Membership Directors, CEOs, and PPG Leaders encouraged
- **Nominating:** All interested leaders encouraged

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