



General Assembly Networks Charter

Purpose of this General Assembly Networks Charter

This General Assembly Networks Charter:

1. Sets out the mandate of the General Assembly Networks
2. Sets out the specific responsibilities of the General Assembly Networks
3. Outlines the structure of the General Assembly Networks
4. Outlines Delegate Selection for the General Assembly

1. Network Mandate

The Networks will promote leader cooperation, knowledge sharing, issue identification, resource sharing and confirmation of delegates to the Priority and Leadership Group. Each Network promotes the mandate, guiding principles and key activities of the General Assembly.

2. Specific Network Responsibilities

Each Network will:

- Provide a forum for Constituency Groups with similar interests to collaborate in identifying, prioritizing common issues
- Conduct effective virtual meetings utilizing staff-supported tools and resources such as professional facilitation, meeting agendas and action plans when required
- Confirm a diverse and skilled slate of Network delegates to serve on the Priority and Leadership Group
- Ensure that the Network Delegates within the Priority and Leadership Group best represents the diversity of the constituencies' membership
- Facilitate the sharing of resources, particularly across smaller Constituency Groups, to assist them with their ability to respond to requests for input from the OMA
- Provide a forum for smaller Constituency Groups to work together to ensure that their common views are expressed
- Advocate to protect and promote the best interests of the profession
- Stimulate collaboration, support, and teamwork
- Monitor progress in achieving the Network's goals and participate in a self-assessment of the Network as requested by staff

3. Structure of the General Assembly Networks

Composition of the Networks:

- General Assembly Networks are collaboration forums composed of OMA physician leaders from Sections, Districts and Fora with common interests, goals and issues.
- Networks exist as groups of constituencies rather than groups of specific people. Each Network will have unique priorities, issues and tasks that will need collaborative work. Depending on the subject of each discussion, constituencies may choose to have different elected leaders participate in different exercises. Allowing constituencies the flexibility to be represented by the best person for each task is a novel approach that will keep Network work well-informed and efficient.

There are six General Assembly Networks:

- Four Networks consist of Section Constituency Groups that include Primary Care, Medical, Surgical and Diagnostic.
- The Regional Network is composed of Districts and the Rural Forum
- The Academic Network consists of Academic Forum members, residents, and students.
- Sections can request a change on which Network to align with

4. Delegate Selection for the General Assembly

Constituency Groups will nominate Delegates for the Priority and Leadership Group and share these nominations with their Network. The Networks will utilize a skills and diversity matrix to finalize their Delegates for the Priority and Leadership Group.