

Resident and Fellow Section 2024 Section Survey Highlights

Of the 318 survey respondents to TMA's [2024 Section Survey](#), 34 (or 11% of the total) were from the Resident and Fellow Section (RFS).

- 32% of RFS respondents cited **professional development programming** as their primary reason for section participation, followed by **policy & advocacy initiatives** (29%).
- When RFS respondents were asked what type of **professional development programming** was most important, they ranked most highly physician wellness programming (36%), then public health programming (27%), followed by career health programming (18%).
- When the RFS members were asked to drill down on subjects of interest within professional development, their responses were:
 - Negotiation skills (19%);
 - Career path planning (18%);
 - Public speaking (16%);
 - Conflict management (16%); and
 - Practice financing (14%).
- When asked what type of **advocacy initiative** was most important, RFS respondents ranked most highly public health/patient advocacy (50%), legislative/regulatory/legal advocacy (30%), followed by professional advocacy (20%).
- When asked to drill down on topics of interest within policy and advocacy, RFS respondents made these top selections:
 - Grassroots advocacy and relationship building (25%);
 - Rulemaking v. laws (20%);
 - Legislative testimony training (15%); and
 - Language and issue framing (15%).