

To whom it may concern:

It is my honor and pleasure to apply for President-Elect for the Midwest Society for General Internal Medicine. I have considered SGIM my professional home for over a decade – as a third-year medical student, I solidified my commitment to General Internal Medicine after presenting a poster at my first national SGIM meeting. As a resident, I deepened my involvement with SGIM by participating in national meetings and my first Hill Day. As a young attending, I became more involved with SGIM at the national level as an inaugural Leadership in Health Policy (LEAHP) scholar and by serving as co-chair for Special Symposia for the 2019 National SGIM meeting and 2020 National SGIM meeting (canceled due to COVID), and as the chair for Special Symposia for the 2021 National SGIM meeting. More recently, as the sitting Midwest SGIM Membership Chair, I have worked closely with our leadership team to help plan both the 2021 Midwest SGIM meeting (virtual) and the upcoming 2022 Midwest SGIM meeting in October in Saint Louis. As part of my role, I have worked with our leadership team on developing several innovations for the last few meetings, including the first Midwest SGIM trivia nights, a point-counterpoint presentation at the 2021 Midwest SGIM meeting, and the upcoming Humanities Breakfast at the 2022 Midwest SGIM meeting.

As Midwest SGIM President-Elect, I hope to continue to create a space for generalists from all areas of the Midwest region to celebrate and share our work, our ideas, and our shared values. I hope to leverage my experiences with SGIM meeting planning at both the national and regional levels to put together a Midwest SGIM meeting that will continue SGIM's rich tradition of connecting generalists with shared values and interests across institutions. I hope to work closely with our leadership team and longstanding SGIM members within the region to develop new ways to share our passions in a manner that stay true to the organization's mission and values. Moreover, I plan to listen closely to SGIM members across the region and solicit feedback to ensure that our meeting and our events are as inclusive as possible and best reflect the values and mission of our region's SGIM members. In addition, I hope to work with younger SGIM members to help innovate programming that will further engage medical students and residents with the organization and encourage young learners to consider future careers in General Internal Medicine. I plan to act as an institutional champion for SGIM across the Mayo Clinic's divisions of General Internal Medicine, Hospital Internal Medicine, and Community Internal Medicine. Finally, I plan to work closely with our Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion officers at both regional and national levels to continue to ensure that our activities and meetings are as inclusive as possible.

Dr. Michael Mueller is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of General Internal Medicine in Rochester, Minnesota. He completed his medical training at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio and was part of the second graduating class of the Internal Medicine Urban Health track residency at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. Mueller has a strong interest in graduate medical education and medical education research. Prior to coming to the Mayo Clinic, Dr. Mueller designed and developed an Urban Health Track for outpatient excellence for underserved and vulnerable patients in South Florida, and played an integral role in rotation design, resident mentorship, and resident recruitment. He also served as an Associate Program Director for inpatient rotations at one of their primary inpatient sites and served as a primary faculty mentor for a cohort of residents.

While at the Mayo Clinic, Dr. Mueller has remained active in medical education at the undergraduate, graduate, and CME levels. He works regularly with residents as part of the Internal Medicine residency core faculty, and has been recognized by the Internal Medicine Residency Program for Excellence in Teaching. He is also a key staff educator for the Division of General Internal Medicine for multiple clinical projects, including Epic onboarding, training for the Mayo Clinic's COVID Frontline Care Team (CFCT) and training for the post-COVID clinic, and has received COVID educator awards and Teamwork Awards from the Division of General Internal Medicine and Department of Medicine, respectively. He has also remained active in advocacy as a member of the inaugural Leadership in Health Policy (LEAHP) scholar class and has served in key roles in the Zumbro Valley Medical Society and the Minnesota American College of Physicians (MN-ACP) advocacy committee, and as a faculty advisor for the General Medicine Interest Group at the Mayo Clinic. As a content expert, Dr. Mueller's interests include evaluation, characterization, and treatment of post-COVID syndrome, for which he has co-authored multiple peer-reviewed published articles, developed internal educational content through the AskMayoExpert interface, and given multiple CME and Grand Rounds talks.