



Associate Executive Director and Chief of Medical Affairs
American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Dallas, Texas

The American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG) seeks an accomplished and collaborative physician leader to become its Associate Executive Director (AED) and Chief of Medical Affairs (COMA). Since its founding in 1927, ABOG has delivered on its mission to define standards in the field, certify obstetricians and gynecologists (OB GYNs), and facilitate continuous learning to advance knowledge, practice, and professionalism in women's health. Certification by ABOG provides assurance to the public that a physician has the competencies essential to delivering high-quality care to women and a commitment to lifelong learning and improvement.

The COMA will join an essential institution with a strong operation in solid financial standing prepared to continue advancing its mission in an increasingly complex world. Since the first certificates were awarded in 1931, ABOG has awarded more than 65,000 certificates in Obstetrics and Gynecology and more than 7,200 certificates in the subspecialties. The number of board-certified OB GYNs is on the rise, with nearly 1,500 specialists and 500 subspecialists having been newly certified in the past year. As of 2023, ABOG has over 37,000 active diplomates certified in OB GYN and over 6,800 in a subspecialty (physicians who are participating in continuous certification). In 2024, ABOG's new home, a state-of-the-art building located in Uptown Dallas, opened, allowing for more useable office and meeting spaces, as well as on-site testing.

The COMA will build on these foundations as the organization looks to the era ahead. Following the appointment of ABOG's new Executive Director (ED), Dr. Amy Young, on September 13, 2023, ABOG seeks to capitalize on its forward momentum and exciting vision with the appointment of a chief innovator to continue to establish and automate credentialing standards for diplomates, as well as build relationships with internal and external constituents to ABOG. ABOG's critical work of credentialing OB GYNs for practice has never been more important, and the COMA will seize the moment on behalf of diplomates and patients. In addition, ABOG is regarded as a leading board within the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), and the future holds an opportunity to expand this dimension of ABOG's impact.

The COMA will be a strategic leader providing leadership and medical expertise to standards, professionalism, and the credentialing process, guiding the institution through the challenges and opportunities ahead. They will be equal parts proactively planful and responsive to changing conditions. Reporting to and working alongside the ABOG Executive Director, the Board of Directors, and with the support of the staff, the COMA will: establish, innovate, and automate credentialing standards and

processes for diplomates; ensure that credentialing standards align with ABMS and industry standards; create, verify, and maintain standards for ABOG volunteers; partner with the Chief of Assessments (COA) and the Chief of Medical Practice and Certification Innovation (COPI) to ensure a diverse and inclusive volunteer pool and ensure that volunteers are provided with training and orientation relevant to their volunteer roles; create and maintain programming to build connections with resident candidates, active candidates and diplomates through the lifecycle of their careers; partner with specialty and subspecialty associations who promote the health of women; partner with colleagues in educational roles within the ACGME and CREOG to promote safer care for women through education; enhance collaborative working relationships with ABMS member boards, committees and officials to highlight ABOG's strengths as a member board, participating in relevant AMBS committees; work closely with the ED, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), and other senior leaders to ensure fiscal stewardship of volunteer functions, forecasting board and subspecialty division project-related return on investment for new and ongoing activities; and serve as an administrative partner to the Credentials Committee and Policy Committee of the board and participate in the Credentials subcommittee.

The ideal candidate will be a board-certified OB GYN who will bring demonstrated experience and leadership in medical credentialing and a highly developed competency in the adoption of new technology. Evidence of exceptional leadership in obstetrics and gynecology, an ability to present and inspire around a shared vision, and talent for building and managing teams are required. They will be an effective, clear, and authentic communicator, a sincere listener, and bring evidence of career-long and steadfast commitment to collaboration and standards of excellence in women's health.

ABOG has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist in this search. Inquiries, nominations, and applications should be sent in confidence to the following:

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