

**Coalition to Advance Maternal Therapeutics
Charter
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Purpose of the Coalition. The Coalition to Advance Maternal Therapeutics (CAMT) was founded in 2014 to advocate for policy changes and raise awareness of the need for greater inclusion of pregnant and lactating populations in clinical research. Through the CAMT's efforts, the Common Rule was revised to declassify pregnant people as a vulnerable population, the Task Force Specific to Research on Pregnant Women and Lactating Women (PRGLAC) was established at the federal level, and additional programs and support for the inclusion of this population in research have been promoted.

Steering Committee Members. The Steering Committee consists of four nonprofit professional and advocacy organizations –the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, March of Dimes, the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine, and the Society for Women's Health Research. Changes to the composition of the Steering Committee can be made with a majority vote of Steering Committee members. As needed, the Steering Committee shall seek technical advice from organizations with expertise in clinical research in pregnant individuals and lactating individuals.

The Steering Committee guides the strategic direction and governance of the CAMT; informs and participates in advocacy efforts; and provides oversight, guidance, and direction to the consultant and/or representative(s) hired to manage the CAMT's day-to-day operations, if relevant.

Rotating Chair. The Chair of the CAMT shall rotate between Steering Committee members, for a period of two-year terms. The chair's term shall begin in January and end in December of the subsequent year. The Chair seat is represented by an organization, with a dedicated representative to hold the seat.

The Chair seat can be held by the same organization for multiple terms in a row should other Steering Committee organizations not be interested/able to serve as Chair. Should the chairing organization no longer be able to serve in the role, the Steering Committee will identify a new Steering Committee member to fill the role.

General Membership Categories. The CAMT offers two types of membership: Regular Voting Member and Corporate Advisory Committee Member.

Regular Voting Member. Regular Voting Members shall be any national nonprofit medical professional, patient, advocacy, or other nonprofit organization with an interest in and support for the inclusion of pregnant and lactating populations in research. Each member organization shall be entitled to one vote on coalition matters, but organizations may designate more than one representative to participate in CAMT meetings, receive CAMT communications, and participate in advocacy meetings. Regular Voting Members do not pay dues.

Corporate Advisory Committee Member (Corporate Advisory Member). Corporate Advisory Members shall be any for-profit company with an interest in and support for the inclusion of pregnant and lactating populations in research. Corporate Advisory Members shall pay annual dues to the Coalition administrator to fund the activities of the CAMT. Corporate Advisory Members shall be recognized on the CAMT website as Corporate Advisory Members, be invited to attend public CAMT events, have an annual meeting with Regular Voting Members, and may be invited to engage on an ad hoc basis with the CAMT on legislative or regulatory issues of importance, as appropriate. Corporate Advisory Members do not have a vote in CAMT advocacy priorities and strategic direction.

Voting. Each Regular Voting Member shall be entitled to one vote on coalition matters. All votes that require approval will require a simple majority vote. At all CAMT meetings, a majority of the voting member organizations shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Applications for Membership. Organizations interested in joining the CAMT as Regular Voting Members or Corporate Advisory Members shall be approved by the Steering Committee. An offer of membership is extended to organizations after a unanimous vote of the Steering Committee.

Annual Corporate Advisory Committee Members Meeting. The annual meeting shall serve as a venue for the Corporate Advisory Members to receive formal updates on the Coalition's activities as well as hear from Regular Voting Member on their activities that are related to the Coalition's priorities and issues.

Advocacy Opportunities. Each Regular Voting Member may opt-in for participation in meetings or comment letters to policymakers. If a Voting Member organization does not opt-in by the due date, they will not be included in the meeting or letter. Corporate Advisory Members will not attend advocacy meetings or sign-on to letters.

Activities. The CAMT shall engage in the following activities:

- Regular Steering Committee meetings
- Regular meetings of Regular Voting Members
- Annual meeting of Corporate Advisory Members
- Congressional Briefings
- Engagement with Congress and Federal Agencies on PRGLAC recommendations and implementation plan
- Recruit and retain new and existing CAMT members representing a diversity of health care stakeholders interested in the inclusion of pregnant and lactating populations in research
- Quarterly newsletter distributed to all members

Administration. The administration of the funding support for the CAMT shall be the responsibility of the Society for Women's Health Research with ongoing engagement of the Steering Committee. The Society for Women's Health Research shall engage with professionals to maintain the CAMT website, keep an updated list of CAMT Members and their representatives, provide administrative and logistic support for the CAMT's activities, be responsible for payment of consultants, and

ensure that the CAMT's annual deliverables are met on time and within budget. The Society for Women's Health Research shall provide reports to members on all activities, deliverables and metrics, as appropriate.

Charter Amendments. Should the Steering Committee determine a change in the administration of the CAMT, agreement and an appropriate transition plan shall be agreed upon and made by the Steering Committee.

This charter may be amended, altered, changed, added to or repealed at any regular or special meeting of the Steering Committee.