

STRATEGIC PLAN

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VISION: Inspiring scientific curiosity and discovery

MISSION: Advancing anatomical science through research, education, and professional development VALUES: Community, Respect, Inclusion, Integrity, Discovery



- A. AAA unites diverse scientists, the public, and policymakers to advance education and research in anatomy, biology, and health-related fields.
 - 1. Encourage scientists in anatomy-related fields to find a welcoming home in AAA.
 - 2. Increase awareness of the value of the anatomical sciences across the broader scientific community.
 - 3. Equip AAA members to inspire scientific curiosity through public outreach and science communication.
 - 4. Advocate for supportive public policies and vital investments in research to advance anatomy as an essential science.



- B. AAA connects a global community of anatomical scientists, educators, and students through annual and regional meetings, virtual learning, and scholarly publishing.
 - 1. Establish an independent, standalone annual meeting that showcases the diversity of scientific and educational research in anatomy and related biological and biomedical sciences.
 - 2. Increase active collaboration with other associations involved in anatomy and related sciences.
 - 3. Integrate AAA's journals with the association's annual meeting and various learning experiences.
 - 4. Establish a strategy for year-round virtual learning.



- C. AAA strives to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion through its work within the association and by active engagement with other scientific societies and the public.
 - 1. Increase representation and engagement of individuals from diverse and underrepresented groups as association leaders.
 - 2. Identify and recognize diverse individuals through awards, grants, and scholarships.
 - 3. Assist individuals from diverse and underrepresented groups in discovering, establishing, and advancing their careers in anatomy.
 - 4. Join initiatives to ensure greater diversity and inclusion in the sciences and equity within society.



- D. AAA will invest sufficient resources to strengthen the association's effectiveness, resiliency, and impact.
 - 1. Obtain the staffing and technical capabilities to host an independent annual meeting.
 - 2. Invest in the content, platforms, and technical expertise to expand AAA's virtual learning opportunities.
 - 3. Implement a strategy to introduce the association to scientists and educators in anatomy-related fields.

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