

## ABM Board Leadership Competencies

- 1. Knowledge of the Association: Having and using knowledge of systems, situations, pressures, and culture inside the organization to identify potential organizational problems and opportunities; perceiving the impact of decisions on other components of the organization through
  - Understanding and using organizational policies and systems to solve problems
  - Anticipating impact of actions on other groups
- 2. Developing, Communicating, and Sustaining a Vision: Creating and achieving a desired future state (vision) through influence on organizational values, individual and group goals, reinforcements, and systems by
  - Defining a desired future state
  - Communicating direction with enthusiasm
  - Gaining commitment to vision and values
- **3.** Integrity/Responsibility/Accountability: Maintaining and promoting social, ethical, and organizational norms in conducting internal and external business activities by
  - Sharing complete and accurate information
  - Maintaining confidentiality
  - Adhering to policies and regulations
  - Meeting personal commitments and promises
  - Setting high performance standards
- **4. Negotiation:** Effectively exploring alternatives and positions to reach outcomes that gain all parties' support and acceptance by
  - Exploring other's needs, concerns, and positions
  - Keeping discussions issue-oriented
  - Seeking win-win solutions
- 5. Communication: Expressing ideas effectively in individual and group situations (including nonverbal communication) adjusting language or terminology to the characteristics and needs of the audience through
  - Expressing thoughts clearly
  - Soliciting ideas, suggestions, and opinions from others
  - Listening to all points of view with an open mind
- 6. Teamwork: Working effectively with team or workgroups or those outside formal lines of authority to accomplish organizational goals; taking action that respect the needs and contributions of others; contributing to and accepting consensus by
  - Exchanging ideas freely



- Supporting group decisions
- Putting group goals ahead of individual goals
- 7. Leadership and Motivating Others: Using appropriate interpersonal styles and methods to inspire and guide individuals toward goal achievement; modifying behavior to accommodate tasks, situations, and individuals through
  - Focusing on situation, not the person
  - Asking for and gaining commitment to action
  - Mutually agreeing on accomplishments
- **8. Innovation:** Generating creative solutions to work situations; trying different and novel ways to deal with organizational issues and opportunities by
  - Approaching job with imagination and originality
  - Generating novel solutions
  - Suggesting new ways to apply existing knowledge
- **9. Judgement/Problem Solving:** Committing to an action after developing alternative courses of action that are based on logical assumptions and factual information; taking into consideration resources, constraints, and organizational value in all decisions by
  - Considering alternatives
  - Considering all pertinent facts
  - Weighing pros and cons or impact of alternatives

## ABM Strategic Competencies

- **1. Mentoring and Development:** Engaging individually and/or encouraging others to pursue new skills through professional development activities, mentoring, or coaching.
  - Mentor for a novice physician
  - Participation in institutional development activities, such as chairing a committee
  - Experience with formal leadership training as a participant or instructor
- 2. Community Outreach: Professional or volunteer experience supporting local groups, organizations, committees, or individuals.
  - Involvement in local breastfeeding medicine advocacy efforts
  - Team-oriented initiatives in which diversity of thought, backgrounds, race/ethnicities are valued and leveraged
  - Involvement in the distinction of Magnet, Baby-Friendly, or other hospital designations.
- **3. Experience developing breastfeeding medicine education:** Providing knowledge that leads to the development or advancement of breastfeeding medicine standards and/or practice.
  - Serving as an editor, contributing author, or reviewer for a scholarly medical publication



- Providing breastfeeding medicine expertise to industry, hospitals, or allied health organizations or associations
- Developing breastfeeding medicine training
- **4. Financial literacy:** Understanding of general financial language and reporting; synthesize monetary resources with organizational strategy.
  - Serving in a professional or volunteer capacity on a finance or audit committee
  - Experience creating, reviewing, or approving budgets
  - Understanding of general audit processes