



# **ABDUL (AB) ALRAIYES, MD**

## **SECRETARY-TREASURER NOMINEE**

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From the very beginning of my pulmonary and critical care fellowship in 2011, I became a member of the AABIP. Since then, I have faithfully attended most of the AABIP events and symposia and took part in the dramatic growth of our association. From day one, my goal has always been to increase awareness and advance the field of Advanced Diagnostic Bronchoscopy and Interventional Pulmonology by working through our organization, first as a member and then as part of the Board of Directors.

Over the last 10 years, I was privileged to witness our organization grow in numbers and the IP fellowships increase to over 40 programs with young, active, creative, and innovative physicians who are eager to learn and do more. In 2014, I was invited to become the Social Media Creator for the AABIP. That gave me the opportunity to fulfill my dream of serving the AABIP by enhancing IP education using digital media. Digital media is the perfect vehicle for educators, clinicians, and researchers to communicate and stay connected. Through its inherent quality of personal engagement, digital media has changed the way we follow current events, learn about new advancements in medicine, and communicate within our personal and professional lives. During my time as AABIP social media creator, I had the privilege to help boost our AABIP twitter and Facebook account, increasing the number of the followers from 35 to more than 3000.

In 2016, I joined the membership committee of the AABIP and working closely with my amazing friend and mentor David Hsia, we were able to revamp the AABIP newsletter and increase production to 4 issues a year. Joining the membership committee helped me to really understand the needs of our AABIP members and demonstrated the importance of seeking their input on how the AABIP can best meet their needs.

About 4 years ago, I was asked to chair the AABIP Public Relations (PR) subcommittee. In this role, I had the unique honor and privilege of collaborating with multiple AABIP committees, including the Education Committee, Media subcommittee and Certifications Committee. Working closely with other active members in the PR subcommittee, we were able to grow the AABIP social media presence by adding an AABIP Instagram account and a YouTube channel. Our committee was instrumental in the advertising for the 2018 Inaugural AABIP Annual Conference that became a resounding success. Since then, I have privileged to be part of the Program Organizing Committee of all subsequent AABIP conferences.

For my unwavering service to the AABIP, I was honored with the first ever AABIP Service Achievement Award in 2018.

I firmly believe that we can all do more to advance the field of Advanced Diagnostic Bronchoscopy and Interventional Pulmonology by strengthening the AABIP's role as the leading advocate for our specialty. One of my aims is to create an AABIP Video Atlas, which will permit our membership to share their expertise in various procedures and serve as a reference for all bronchoscopists.

If I am given the honor of being elected as the Secretary Treasurer of the AABIP, I intend to continue serving the AABIP in every way possible, while advancing the interests of the membership and the field in general. I would like to thank everyone for honoring me with this nomination and your support.

Please visit my YouTube channel to see a sample of my current educational video productions using the following:  
<https://youtube.com/user/abbador1234>