



American Association for
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To whom it may concern:

It is truly an honor and privilege to be nominated for the Board of Directors of the American Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (AABIP). We stand at an important crossroads where Interventional Pulmonology has the opportunity to solidify itself as a subspecialty of the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) and as an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) certified fellowship. If elected, I will assist the AABIP leadership in making a strong case to these organizations for our unique benefit to patients, medical centers (especially cancer centers), and trainees. In addition, I will work with the AABIP to grow its membership as trainees graduate and as opportunities arise to provide educational material tailored toward potential members with different backgrounds and interests.

As I have progressed in my academic medical career, two themes have emerged, medical education (particularly simulation training for pulmonary procedures) and device evaluation. I feel that my career goals are aligned with missions of the AABIP and I feel prepared to contribute to its already robust educational offerings including the Annual Conference. I am fortunate to have served in other societal leadership positions and these positions have prepared me to assist with initiatives like meeting planning and course content development. I also have remained active with the AABIP through teaching at the Fellow Boot Camp, speaking on Podcasts and at the Annual Conference, working on the Editorial Board for the Journal of Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (JOBIP), and participating on the Board Examination and Certificate of Added Qualification (CAQ) Committees. If elected to the Board of Directors (BOD), I hope to promote further educational endeavors for the AABIP and to place a high premium on quality and innovative research initiatives. I also hope to contribute to the AABIP's growing body of guidelines for bronchoscopy and interventional pulmonology.

Thank you for considering me for the BOD. If elected to this position, I will work collaboratively and continue my commitment to the educational and research related pursuits of the AABIP.