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My name is Zachary DePew, and I am the division chief and medical director for Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine at Creighton University and CHI Health in Omaha, NE. When I assumed the role we were a division of 8 fellows and 5 faculty covering two hospitals. Over the past 8 years we have grown to a division of over 60 providers covering 6 hospitals. With the rapid growth in a short period of time I learned to forge meaningful relationships with stakeholders at all levels of the organization. I have had the opportunity to hone my skills and style of running effective meetings and maintaining progress on critical tasks.

During my time at Creighton University I established the Interventional Pulmonary service which now serves as a regular rotation for pulmonary fellows year-round. It is on this service that our fellows receive the vast majority of their bronchoscopy training. I brought rigid bronchoscopy and pleuroscopy to Creighton, and subsequently added other services as they became available, most recently including bronchoscopic lung volume reduction and robotic navigational bronchoscopy. In addition to my service to Creighton in these respects, I have served multiple societies in the development and delivery of medical education simulation courses focusing on areas of interventional pulmonology, including bronchoscopy and pleural interventions.

As I understand it, the mission of the AABIP includes advancing advocacy, research, education, innovation, equity, and creating community within the field of advanced diagnostic and interventional pulmonology. I would plan to support and advance this mission by serving wherever my skills and perspectives are felt to be most efficacious. I would plan to fulfill this commitment through prioritization and dedication of time towards service to the AABIP.