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CANDIDATE STATEMENT

If elected, what goals would you set for the Academy and what steps would you take to achieve them?

The Academy of Medicine (AOM) is our local organization created to unite physicians across Hamilton County and the greater Cincinnati region. Our medical community recently has faced numerous challenges, such as the pandemic, physician burnout, staffing shortages, and Medicare cuts, among many others. Our Academy membership has also declined, similar to most other medical organizations. Without a robust and diverse membership, the Academy's impact in our community is limited, and, as such, the value of your membership may appear to depreciate. We must rebuild our strength in numbers by refining the Academy's outreach and visibility, through innovative strategies to create opportunities for physician and student involvement. During my years as an Academy council member, we have developed multiple educational programs, on member-requested topics such as COVID health system updates, contract negotiation, telehealth billing and coding, financial stability, and physician wellness. Our goal was to connect physicians and provide content that they may not be receiving from their own system or practice. The annual Academy of Medicine golf outing is just one of our popular social events, aiming to connect physicians across networks in fun and relaxing settings. With your help, we can do so much more.

As your next Academy of Medicine President, my goal is to create a more dynamic and nimble organization, responding to the unique needs and desires of our membership. This requires innovative strategies to enhance membership involvement and create new leadership opportunities. I will achieve this goal by striving to better understand the needs of our members, building on the foundational programs created over the last few years, and expanding membership involvement in the Academy. I will increase the Academy's social media presence, understanding that this is the simplest way to grow a diverse network of physicians across health systems and practices. Next, I want to create an Academy that can be a valuable resource to promote professional success and education, and become a vital source of health information for our community. I will develop more professional development programs, benefiting young physicians as they begin their career, as well as physicians approaching retirement. An additional goal of mine is to create and promote new ways for interested members to give back to their community, whether through volunteer opportunities, community education, or by philanthropy. Finally, we can't forget to have fun! I will expand our social committee, in order to offer fresh and entertaining settings that our members can interact and relax together. Our membership is diverse with unique interests and passions. As your next President, I will work to capture your energy to positively impact our community and foster new relationships across our region.

Thank you for your consideration to be your next President!

BACKGROUND

MEDICAL SCHOOL: UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

YEAR OF GRADUATION: 2012

SPECIALTY: VASCULAR SURGERY

YEARS IN PRACTICE: 6

PRACTICE NAME/HEALTH SYSTEM AFFILIATION:

THE CHRIST HOSPITAL HEART AND VASCULAR INSTITUTE (HVI)

ACTIVITIES

ACADEMY COUNCIL/COMMITTEES

- Executive Committee, Treasurer (2020–Present)
- Councilor (2019–2020)
- Education Committee

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

OFFICES/COMMITTEES

- Alternate Delegate, Ohio Delegation (2022 - Present)
- Reference Committee K Science and Public Health, AMA Interim Meeting (2022)

OHIO STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

OFFICES AND/OR COMMITTEES

- At-Large Councilor (2020–Present)
- Reference Committee Chair (2019)
- Delegate (2012–Present)

HOSPITAL OFFICES AND/OR COMMITTEES

- Co-Chairman, HVI Performance Enhancement Peer Review Committee (2018–Present)
- Volunteer Teaching Faculty, University of Cincinnati Medical Center (2017–Present)