

2018 YPS Governing Council Candidates
(Nomination materials were submitted by May 22)



Chair-elect

Hilary Fairbrother, MD

Houston, TX

Specialty: Emergency Medicine

Endorsements: American College of Emergency Physicians

Statement of Interest:

My name is Hilary Fairbrother and I ask for your vote for Chair-Elect of the Young Physicians Section. I have a great deal of experience in the AMA. It has been my privilege to serve in multiple leadership roles from the county to national level. I have the necessary organizational expertise to be an effective and efficient Chair from the very start of my elected term. I can think of no better way to serve the section than to become your Chair-Elect.

I have distinct ideas for our future as a section. The YPS in no way has adequate representation on AMA Councils and state/specialty delegations. With the advent of our endorsement procedure, the YPS has made excellent progress in electing diverse candidates to our Councils and the Board of Trustees but we must continue to push the paradigm that YPS candidates have more than enough experience to lead the entire organization. I want more young physicians on the Board of Trustees. I want another President of the AMA who is not at the end of her/his career. I want proportional representation of YPS members to the AMA House of Delegates. To be clear, this means adding more delegate seats. I will accomplish this goal by authoring and passing new HOD policy.

I ask for your vote to be your next Chair-Elect of the YPS. I promise that I will do everything in my power to advance the goals and will of the section during my elected term.



Delegate

Kavita Shah Arora, MD

Cleveland, OH

Specialty: Obstetrics and Gynecology

Endorsements: American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

Statement of Interest:

I have been an active member of the AMA since 1st year of medical school in 2005. Annual 2018 will mark my 24th consecutive national meeting, not including National Advocacy Conferences. I have been active in the MSS and RFS, including serving on the Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs. I am comfortable testifying at the microphone in the HOD – but just as importantly, I seek to build consensus and learn from the wisdom in the Assembly prior to voting. I am organized, hard-working, and a transparent communicator – qualities that I believe are necessary to help lead a diverse team. I have endeavored to bring these qualities over the past year to the position of Alternate Delegate. If elected as your Delegate, I would strive to consolidate and more effectively deploy the strength of the young physicians in the Assembly for our key issues and candidates, along with the YPS Alternate Delegate and Governing Council. As the members of the HOD that are most directly impacted by many of our policies, it is vital that we strongly advocate for change that is beneficial for our patients, for public health, for our practices, and for our professional growth and well-being. I have enjoyed and I feel contributed to the Section during the past year as your Alternate Delegate, and I would love the chance to continue on your behalf as the Delegate.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kavita Shah Arora, MD, MBE



Member At-Large

John Corker, MD

Cincinnati, OH

Specialty: Emergency Medicine

Endorsements: American College of Emergency Physicians and the Ohio State Medical Association

Statement of Interest:

Thank you for this opportunity to earn your vote for the position of Governing Council Member At-Large. While I am not new to leadership in organized medicine, I am new to the YPS, and I have spent the majority of my first year getting to know many of you and assessing how best I can help.

In my past life as a University recruiter, and through my roles on my medical school and residency recruitment committees, I have developed a passion for seeking, welcoming and orienting new members to the organizations I love. Further, as we see our biggest membership exodus during the transition from training to practice, I want to leverage my connections with the RFS to ensure retention of our best and brightest who have already invested so much in the AMA through medical school and training. To this end, I have already begun working with the AMA, TMA and OSMA to identify and procure advantageous loan refinancing options in an effort to improve perception of membership benefit during an often-difficult time financially for transitioning young doctors.

What's more, I am excited by the opportunity to serve as liaison between the YPS and other AMA sections to advance our organizational agenda. Having coordinated the creation and implementation of our SaveGME campaign with the help of YPS, RFS and MSS leaders, I am ready to hit the ground running in this collaborative capacity for the YPS, and I would be honored to have your vote for Member-At-Large.



Member At-Large

Nicole Riddle, MD

Tampa, FL

Specialty: Pathology

Endorsements: United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology; College of American Pathologists; American Society of Clinical Pathology and National Association of Medical Examiners

Statement of Interest:

Being actively involved in the AMA for 15+ years is something for which I am so very grateful. My time on the YPS-GC, in particular, has been invaluable for my growth as a physician, a leader, and a human being. But that is only the silver lining to why I wish to continue my service. We as physicians strive to do the best we can for our patients, and as physicians active in the AMA we take on the enormous task of improving care for ALL patients. By serving as Member-At-Large for one more term, I hope to continue my discussion with States and Specialties Societies to continue to grow representation in the YPS in order to hear all perspectives to ensure our needs as physicians as well as our patients' needs are met to the best of our abilities. During the last 2 years I have been in communication with numerous organizations, a few have started sending people and several more are looking into way to make it financially feasible. I would love the opportunity to continue working with these groups to make growing YPS representation and engagement a reality.