



Governing Board Elections 2018

Instructions and Nominee Profiles

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Instructions

1. Read through these Instructions and the Notes on page 5 carefully.
2. Nominee Profiles will be placed on Page 7 and online in May 2018 by the Nomination Committee
3. Select up to 3 (THREE) Nominees who you think should be on the Governing Board.

We recommend that you consider the Nomination Committee's assessment and recommendations and also form your own opinion about the candidates on following questions when deciding on your votes:

- Has the applicant been an ACTIVE member of IAPO:
 - Has the applicant demonstrated a commitment and contribution to IAPO through previous activities. Since their membership, has the applicant participated in our Congress, AGMs, Regional Meetings, Patient Solidarity Day. How many and which ones etc ?
 - Has the applicant been an active advocate at a regional and international stage?
 - Has the applicant collaborated with other member organisations
- Has the applicant demonstrated patient leadership skills?
- Does the applicant have the skills and experience needed to fulfil a governance role at an international organisation?

Please also consider which applicants' experience would complement those already represented on the board such as:

- Are they from a region under-represented on the Board (WHO Afro, PAHO (LatAM), Western Pacific)
 - Representation of different disease areas or conditions
 - Representation of large and umbrella organizations and smaller, grassroots organizations
 - Professional or volunteer experiences
 - Representation of developed and developing countries/regions of the world
 - Representation of all geographic regions
4. Place an X in the boxes next to your selected Nominees on the BALLOT PAPER.
 5. Please ensure that you do not select more than 3 (THREE) boxes as this will invalidate your BALLOT PAPER



6. Send your BALLOT PAPER and the QUESTIONS & ANSWERS PAPER to IAPO so that it reaches us by:

- **Postal Friday 18 May 2018 at 16:00 (UK BST)**
- **Email Wednesday 23 May 2018 at 16.00 (USA EST)**
- **In person at the AGM Venue 24 May at 10 am (USA EST) at the AGM**

BY EMAIL to: info@iapo.org.uk

BY POST to:

**Annual General Meeting 2018
International Alliance of Patients Organizations
CAN Mezzanine Building
49-51 East Road
London N1 6AH
United Kingdom**

We will send you a confirmation once your ballot has been received.

If you have any questions then please email: info@iapo.org.uk or telephone: +44 20 7250 8280.

Notes

- All Nominees have committed:
 - To attend two face-to-face meetings of the Governing Board per year (expenses reimbursed). IAPO's travel policy is that it will cover the cost of economy travel (by air, train or other methods) for Board Members. IAPO aims to meet the needs of those with medical conditions which require specific travel needs and support them on request.
 - To be available for conference calls, telephone and email communications between these meetings, both with other Governing Board Members and with IAPO staff as necessary.
 - To be prepared to commit a minimum of two hours per week to IAPO.
 - That they are able to use English as a working language (verbal and written).
 - To ensure that their organization is in good standing and its membership fees are up to date.
- The Biography and Further Information sections of the nomination form had clear maximum word limits. Where these word limits have been exceeded the text has been cut at the end of a sentence or natural break.
- All ballot papers will be anonymous.
- The THREE (3) Nominees with the most votes will gain a place on the Governing Board.
- All Nominees will be informed of the Election outcome.
- The three elected Board Members will be announced at the 2018 AGM on 24 May 2018.
- The new trustee terms start on 1st August 2018

Current IAPO Governing Board

Please find below a list of the current Governing Board members, their terms and officer positions.

Name	Term dates (IAPO Mem&Arts Assn Art. 26.5)
Andrew Spiegel	1st term (1 st Aug 2016- 31 Jul 2019)
Androulla Eleftheriou	1st term (1 st Aug 2016- 31 Jul 2019)
Hussain Jafri	1st term (1 st Aug 2016- 31 Jul 2019)
Jolanta Bilińska	3 rd term (1 st Aug 2015- 31 Jul 2018)
Neda Milevska-Kostova	1st term (1 st Jan 2018- 31 Dec 2019)
Penney Cowan	1st term (2015-2017) 2 nd term (1 st Jan 2018- 31 Dec 2019)
Ratna Devi	1st term (1 st Jan 2018- 31 Dec 2019)

Nominee Profiles

(in alphabetical order by surname)

Danjuma K. Adda	WHO AFRO	Executive Director Centre for Initiative and Development (CFID) Taraba State Nigeria
<p>Danjuma K. Adda is a passionate African advocate. He is a patient with a chronic disease. He is also a family man. His advocacy passion comes not only from his own condition, but also from witnessing the suffering and experience of his mother (a Hepatitis B patient) who passed away a few months after he got married in 2007. As a bereaved patient, he has been fighting for access to safe and quality healthcare and the establishment of universal health coverage for nearly 12 years. He has founded two advocacy charities Chagro-Care Trust (CCT 2007), and CFID 2008 to remove barriers to access to life saving Hepatitis/HIV services. He was instrumental in improving access to HIV/hepatitis continuum of services including free HBV vaccination, testing and referrals to over 50,000 people</p> <p>Danjuma is an international health advocate who has contributed to global patient advocacy as a member of IAPO Strategic Planning Committee to IAPO Strategic Plan 2018. He has been a very strong advocate on refugee healthcare and has presented at the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) in Istanbul, Turkey as a member of the Compact for Refugees Access to Services Working Group-his vision on UHC for refugees and patients endorsed. He was a speaker and led a workshop at the IAPO Entebbe Uganda African Regional meeting and in the African Medicines Agency advocacy. He has experience of high level collaboration with Ministry of Health and other regional West African health bodies.</p>		
Rubby Chawla	WHO SEARO	President Indian Patients Society For Primary Immunodeficiency-IPSPI



Rubby Chawla's drive and passion comes from being the parent and carer of Primary Immunodeficiency (PID) patients. She has been fighting for the recognition of Rare Diseases and Disorders in India and the provision of therapies and treatments to an estimate 1 million PID patients for over 14 years. She has participated in WHO SEARO (East Timor) programme. She founded PID Society-IPSPI at a National level in 2004. And is also a Board Member of Team India for Orphan Diseases/Drugs TIODD – Pharmexcil / IPS (Indian Pharmacological Society)

Rubby has a good foundation of knowledge, skills and experience at senior management and has served as Professor of Commerce for thirteen years. As a Postgraduate in Public Health Services she has a good insight into the health sector. She is a regular contributor to journals to add patient perspective and insights. She has contributed to Pharmaceuticals Policy And Law and organized various National & International CMEs and Workshops on PID. She has been a speaker in various Regional, National and International Conferences and panellist in rare diseases in India and Singapore. Represented India in Conferences & Biennial Meetings of IPOPI, ESID and INGID and IAPO GPC Congress 2016

Robinah Kaitiritimba	WHO AFRO	Executive Director Uganda National Health Users/Consumers Organisation
<p>Robinah is Executive Director Uganda National Health Consumers' Organization, World Health Organisation (WHO) Patient Champion, holds a Master's degree in Management, Bachelors of Arts, trained in Health and Human Rights, policy advocacy and leads a coalition of patients' organisations. She is a member of Institutional Review Board (IRB) of Makerere University School of Public Health, Board member of Uganda National Council of Science and Technology (UNCST), Board member of New Vision newspaper, Board member for Uganda Health care Federation, Board member of Reproductive Health Uganda. She represents civil society at the national Health Policy Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Robinah is very active in the global health initiatives and has international experience. She was a WHO Patients for Patient Safety representative, on the 3rd Global Ministerial Summit on Patient Safety in Tokyo- Japan 2018 and put forward our voice to this high level meeting. She has been very active regionally as well. She helped increase IAPO membership in Uganda, reported and participated on behalf of the Afro region members, made presentations to the FIGO conference in South Africa in 2009, was a Speaker, Medical devices forum Bangkok 2011, participated in the APPS strategy Group- 2011-2013, IAPO African Regional Network plan 2011-2012. She led the drafting of the position paper for the African Union on AMA in the 2017 in the African IAPO conference held at Entebbe- Uganda and leading the enactment process of the patient rights Bill in Uganda.</p>		
Ellos Ellard Lodzeni	AFRO	Patron And Founder Trustee Patient And Community Welfare Foundation Of Malawi



Ellos Lodzeni is a passionate health rights, social justice and governance advocate as well as a patient for patient safety champion with an enormous passion on health matters. He founded the only cross disease patient movement in Malawi in 2008 which articulates and amplifies the patient voice and drives the crusade for patient centred health care in Malawi. He holds a Master of Arts Degree in Development from the university of East Anglia, UK. He has over 30 years public sector experience. He is the Executive Secretary in the Office of the Ombudsman where he continues to advance the protection, promotion of respect for human rights.

He has very good experience of working with and engagement of health institutions and Ministry of Health. He has broken the silence on hepatitis in Malawi and his advocacy has supported the Government Malawi Ministry to recognise need and put into place a programme to support hepatitis. Ellos is also very skilled in patient mobilisation and pioneered the establishment of district chapters in Malawi in order to ensure that the patient voice is articulated in the entire countries through voluntary members. He has supported the Patient Solidarity Day each year in Malawi.

Karen Ida Villanueva	WPRO	Vice-President Philippine Alliance Of Patient Organizations
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Karen Ida Villanueva has international health experience and is often present at the World Health Assembly in Geneva and at WHO Western Pacific Regional Office in Manila where she has maintained good contact and ongoing relationship for the benefit of IAPO and its members in the Region. Karen's commitment and passion for patient centred healthcare and global patient advocacy developed over a long time with regular contact with patient groups while she was working in the pharmaceutical industry. She rose to a high position of Corporate Affairs Director of Pfizer Philippines and Communications Manager of Zuellig Pharma. Upon retiring, she continued advancing patient rights by joining the Philippine Alliance of Patient Organizations (PAPO) where she is the current Vice President.

Karen's healthcare and patient community insight is sought by many national and international agencies and she is now a Member of the Board of Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (early stages of a universal health coverage) and a consultant to the Department of Health for Health Promotions and Communications.

Her most recent corporate post was as External Affairs Director of MSD handling communications, policy, commercial innovation and market access.

Ya Hsin Wang [Kristy Wang]	WPRO	Secretary General Psoriasis Association Taiwan
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Ya Hsin Wang is from Taiwan and graduated from Taipei Medical University in nutrition and health science. She was also a dietician before and is currently the secretary-general of Psoriasis Association Taiwan now. She is a patient of psoriasis and it brought me much pain and understands patients' affairs. Since 2017, she was selected as committee member in national health insurance committee (Taiwan's UHC) and representative of medical service payment in PBRS, ministry of health and welfare in government. She sincerely hope patient-centred can come true through our efforts.

In 2016, she participated in IAPO's 7th Global Patients Congress and in 2017 she participated in PSD activities via social media (FB). She got insight into global issues on patient-centred healthcare system. She also participates in regional.

Since 2011, World Psoriasis Day activities series were held in Taiwan. There are many different patterns of activities ever held, such as press conference, exercise walking, Concert, and Forums. Through the media, we spread correct cogitation of psoriasis to the public and government, and also showing patients' unmet needs for many officers in government to build an appropriate health care system for patients.

As a national health insurance committee member, I voice the patients' standpoints for other committee members, although there is still some difficulties to overcome, I think it's very worth and important to do it in my life.