



CANDIDATE FOR AAPI BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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I am seeking election to the **AAPI Board of Trustees (2026)** to give back to an organization that has empowered physicians of Indian origin for generations. My vision for AAPI includes increasing membership, ensuring **financial transparency, uniting diverse factions**, strengthening **physician advocacy**, and expanding educational opportunities for our members.

I have been a **Patron Member of AAPI for over 20 years** and have supported its mission through sustained involvement at both regional and national levels. I previously served as **President of MOCAAPI** and have worked closely with multiple Boards of Trustees, gaining extensive experience in organizational governance, accountability, and leadership.

I am actively involved in organized medicine and currently serve as **Chief of Cardiology and past President of the Medical Staff at Monmouth Medical Center–Southern Campus (RWJBarnabas Health)**. I have practiced cardiology in New Jersey for over **three decades**, with a strong focus on clinical excellence and preventive cardiology.

Community service is central to my life. I currently serve as **Chairman of Shree Siddhivinayak Temple and Indian Cultural & Community Center** and have served as **President of the Federation of Indian Associations (FIA), BJANA, and MOCAAPI**. I am also a **member of the Ocean County Board of Health**.

A personal passion of mine is **mentoring International Medical Graduates (IMGs)**. I have guided many IMGs through observerships, research, and career counseling, helping them successfully obtain U.S. residency positions.

I have been honored with the **Humanitarian Gala Award** from my hospital and the **Pravasi Bharatiya Samman** from the Consulate General of India in New York.