

Nominees for Society Offices

The Wisconsin Medical Society's House of Delegates Nominating Committee met October 4, 2003, and selected nominees for the following positions. The Board of Directors, as directed by the Society's Constitution, selected the candidate for Treasurer at its meeting on December 18, 2003. The slate of candidates will be presented on April 2, 2004 at the Annual Meeting in Madison.

Candidate for
President-elect 2004-2005

Mark K. Belknap, MD

Doctor Belknap, who specializes in Internal Medicine, graduated from the University of Minnesota. He practices at Duluth Clinic in Ashland. He has served on the Society's Board of Directors since 1996 and is also serving on the Executive and Finance Committees. He was President of the Ashland/Bayfield, Iron County Medical Society in 1985 and 1993. Doctor Belknap is serving on the Board of Trustees of the Duluth Clinic Foundation and the Board of Directors of the American College of Physicians, Wisconsin Chapter. From 1990 to 1998 he served on the Wisconsin Society of Internal Medicine Board of Directors.

Candidate for
Treasurer 2004-2005

Gary L. Bryant, MD

Doctor Bryant, who specializes in rheumatology, graduated from the University of Nebraska, Omaha. He serves on the Finance and Executive Committees and has

been on the Board of Directors since 1998. He has served on the Council on Legislation since 1993. He practices with Gundersen Lutheran Clinic, La Crosse.

Candidate for Vice Speaker
of the House of Delegates
2004-2006

Alan I. Schwartzstein, MD

Doctor Schwartzstein practices family medicine in Oregon. He graduated from Rutgers Medical School and completed a residency in family medicine at Brown University in Pawtucket, RI. He has served on the Society's Board of Directors since 1997 and is a member of the Society's Council on Legislation. He also served on the Society's Executive Committee. He practices with the Dean Medical Center and is on the Board of Directors of the Dean Foundation. He is a past president of the Dane County Medical Society and is active in teaching medical students and community health advocacy. In 2001, Dr Schwartzstein received the Public Health Leadership Award bestowed jointly by the City of Madison and Dane County Public Health Departments.

Candidates for AMA
Delegates 2005 and 2006

Kevin T. Flaherty, MD

Doctor Flaherty received his medical degree from Loyola University in Chicago. He served an internship at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Wash, and residency at Loyola University in ophthalmology. He took post resi-

dency training in corneal transplant surgery at the University of Louisville in Louisville, Ky, and in ophthalmic plastic and reconstruction surgery at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston. He has been in practice in Wausau for 13 years. He served as president of his group at the Eye Clinic of Wisconsin. He is past president of the Wisconsin Academy of Ophthalmology and serves on its executive committee. He is also a past president of Marathon County Medical Society. He has chaired reference committees at the Young Physicians Section of the AMA and the Society. In 1995, Dr Flaherty was elected as an alternate delegate to the Wisconsin delegation of the AMA and elected delegate in 1998. He also served as chair of the Reference Committee on Rules and Credentials at the 1999 AMA Interim Meeting.

Robert J. Jaeger, MD

Doctor Jaeger was first elected as an AMA Alternate Delegate from Wisconsin in 1995. He served on the Society's Board of Directors from 1988 to 1997 and was a member of the Society's Maternal and Child Health Commission and the Maternal Mortality Study Committee. He served on the Society's Nominating Committee from 1995 to 1999 and was chair of the District IV Caucus from 1995 to 1997. A specialist in obstetrics and gynecology, he is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Medical School and served an internship and residency at Milwaukee County General Hospital. Doctor Jaeger is an assistant clinical professor at the

Medical College of Wisconsin, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He has served as a member on the Board of Directors of the Family Planning Health Services, Inc. He was also director of the Rice Clinic Board of Directors from 1985 to 1989. He is active in numerous professional societies, including the AMA, the Wisconsin Society of Obstetrics and Gynecologists, and the Portage County Medical Society, and serves in various leadership roles at St. Michael's Hospital.

Candidate for AMA

Delegate 2004, 2005, 2006

Clarence P. Chou, MD

Doctor Chou received his medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin. He completed his internship, residency, and a fellowship in child psychiatry at Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliated Hospitals. He is medical director of the Child-Adolescent Treatment Center in Wauwatosa and of Wraparound, Milwaukee. He is a consultant to the Children's Service Society in Milwaukee. Doctor Chou is an assistant clinical professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He has been an Alternate Delegate to the AMA since 1999. He became a member of the Society's Board of Directors in 1994. In 2001, he was elected vice chair of the Board; he became chair of the Board in 2003.

If Dr Chou is elected a Delegate to the AMA, Dr Wertsch will be nominated as the candidate for AMA Alternate Delegate 2004 and 2005.

Candidate for AMA

Alternate Delegate

2004 and 2005

Paul A. Wertsch, MD

Doctor Wertsch is a family physician

practicing in Madison. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin Medical School and then interned at the St. Paul Ramsey County Hospital in St. Paul, Minn. He currently serves as president of the Society and has served on the Board of Directors since 1993. He is state chair of the Organized Medical Staff Section of the AMA and is chair of the Society's Task Force on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Issues. He is a past president of the Dane County Medical Society and the medical staff of St. Marys Hospital Medical Center in Madison.

Candidates for AMA

Alternate Delegate

2005 and 2006

Timothy G. McAvoy, MD

Doctor McAvoy graduated from New York Medical College, New York, NY. Specializing in internal medicine and emergency medicine, Dr McAvoy served his internship at Boston City Hospital. His residency was completed at Boston City Hospital and the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics. He served as president of the Waukesha County Medical Society and was a member of the Physicians Alliance Commission. He has been a Society Alternate Delegate to the AMA since 1997.

Michael M. Miller, MD

Doctor Miller is the director of Behavioral Services and medical director of Adult Addiction Services at Meriter Hospital in Madison. He has been an Alternate Delegate to the AMA since 2000. He has served as secretary of the American Society of Addiction Medicine. He is a past president of the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine and is an assistant clinical professor at the University of Wisconsin Medical School. Doctor Miller served as

chair of the Society's Commission on Addictive Diseases from 1996 to 1999. He served for 12 years on the Managing Committee of the Society's Statewide Physician Health Program. From 1996 to 1999 he served as the specialty society delegate to the AMA House of Delegates from the American Society of Addiction Medicine. He also served as chair of the Professional Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC) of the Hospital Accreditation Program of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) in 1998. He received his medical degree from Tulane University Medical Center and completed an internship at the Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliated Hospitals and a psychiatric residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliated Hospitals and University of Minnesota Hospitals and Clinics.

Mahendr S. Kochar, MD

Doctor Kochar is a board certified internist specializing in nephrology and hypertension. He is chief of hypertension and associate chief of staff for education at the VA Medical Center-Milwaukee and a consultant to Froedert Hospital. He has been an Alternate Delegate to the American Medical Association since 2000. Doctor Kochar is senior associate dean for graduate medical education and professor of medicine and pharmacology/toxicology at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He has served as Governor for the Wisconsin Chapter of the American College of Physicians-American Society of Internal Medicine (ACP-ASIM) for four years, as chair of the Board of Governors of ACP-ASIM, and as a member of its Board of Regents and its Executive Committee of the Board of Regents.

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