



Seeking Nominations for AADPRT Steering Committee Leadership Track (including 2028 Program Chair)

As the AADPRT immediate past president and chair of the Nominating Committee (NC), I would like to solicit your nominations for the AADPRT Steering Committee leadership track. Read on for details and the link (at the end) to nominate.

The nominee selected will serve as program chair for the 2028 Annual Meeting and president from spring 2031 to spring 2032 and much more. Taken together, the leadership track is a six-year path with yearly progression as program chair-elect, program chair, secretary/treasurer, president-elect, president, and immediate past president with the option to stay on as previous past president in a non-voting role. This six-year path ensures that the president has substantial experience with, and knowledge of, the workings of the organization and has the benefit of their predecessors' experience. Please [click here](#) for a description of the roles of the various leadership positions and the program chair timeline.

Eligibility

To be eligible, you must be a psychiatrist who is an AADRPT individual or emeritus member. In addition, you must have served within the past five (5) years as a training director (TD) or assistant/associate training director (ATD). This allows leadership opportunities for members who have been in training director roles within the five-year period, but who have moved on to other leadership roles within their AADPRT affiliated organization. Current members of NC cannot be nominated for program chair.

Process

Once nominee names have been identified, NC will reach out to nominees requesting a CV and personal statement outlining why they want to help lead AADPRT, a description of their AADPRT involvement, key leadership experiences outside of AADPRT, and a brief description of their short- and long-term career goals. A 30-minute Zoom interview with at least three NC members will be scheduled to explore:

- Vision
- Motivation
- AADPRT contributions and service
- Leadership
- Bandwidth
- Potential to advance equity

The selection will be announced at the 2026 Annual Meeting in Orlando! To read more about the NC process, [click here](#).

NC membership is defined in the bylaws. For the 2025-2026 nominating period, NC members will include myself as chair, Hiren Umrana (representing the IMG Committee), Brigitte Bailey (representing the J.E.D.I. Committee), and Members-at-Large Ann Cunningham and Raunak Khisty. To provide connection between last and this year's NC, Jessica Sandoval will serve as a non-voting, ex-officio member. Erick Hung will represent the Steering Committee in a non-voting capacity.

Nominations will be accepted through Thursday, January 8, 2026, 5pm ET. We encourage you to self-nominate or nominate someone you feel has the skill set, experience, and interest to lead our organization.

Please reach out to me if you have any questions about the process and submit your nomination via the link below.

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Immediate Past President
Chair of the 2025-2026 Nominating Committee

[**Submit Steering Committee Leadership Track \(including 2028 Program Chair\) Nomination**](#)