

Aloha HANA members,

Your HANA BoD is excited to announce the upcoming HANA 2019 Board of Directors (BoD) Election and is issuing a **Call for Candidates!**

If you are interested in serving the members of HANA as an elected CRNA leader please consider stepping forward as a declared candidate for one the positions that will be elected.

To be eligible to run you must be a current member in good standing of HANA and live or practice in Hawaii, and to run for President-Elect you must have served on the HANA BoD.

The BoD has outlined some desired qualifications that will help HANA members elect the most qualified CRNA volunteers to represent them on the BoD. You do not need to meet all of these to run, they are indicators of support of and participation in HANA, which we feel is important to electing an effective governing board.

The Call for Candidates will be open until 11:55 PM May 10, 2019. All eligible applicants whose submissions are received by then will be included on the ballot. Voting will open on May 15, 2019 at noon and will close May 25 at 11:55 PM. The results will be announced at the June 11 BoD Meeting, and the results will then be emailed to the HANA membership.

Because all applicants will be included on the ballot and because HANA's ballot can be set so close in time to the opening of voting, **there will be no write-in option on the ballot.** If you want to be on the ballot or you would like another HANA CRNA to be, please make sure the BoD receives the requested information by the May 10 deadline so you or they will appear on the ballot.

The positions being elected are all important to HANA's good governance. Complete job descriptions, the BoD desired qualifications, and the expectations and responsibilities of HANA BoD members are all included with the application for candidacy.



Five positions will be elected. Terms will begin on September 1, 2019.

President-Elect: One year term to be followed by a two year term as **HANA President**.

Treasurer: Two year term. **Secretary:** Two year term.

Director (two seats): One seat for a two year term & one seat for a one year term.

The attached application for candidacy must be completed and submitted by the deadline by anyone who wishes to appear on the ballot **including current HANA BoD members.** It includes a few questions to which short answers will be sufficient to help voters decide who will best represent them. A short bio and a photo to help voters know you are also requested.

Serving on the HANA BoD is a commitment. We are blessed with a great profession, largely because while we differ in opinion at times, CRNAs are organized and unified to promote our Nurse Anesthesia practice, patient safety, and access to healthcare. All of these are targets of entities that hunger for a greater share of the great value we CRNAs bring to the health care system. Defending our practice takes work, and many excellent people at the AANA and the state ANAs, both paid and volunteer, are working hard on behalf of CRNAs every day.

Hawaii CRNAs have a role to play. Participation in HANA and AANA are great ways to acknowledge the work that has benefited us all, and to pay it forward. SRNAs and CRNAs will provide and patients will receive care for years to come in the practice settings made by the policies and perceptions being created today. In short, membership and participation matter! The work is very rewarding. The satisfaction and personal growth gained far surpass the time and energy invested by active HANA BoD members. I hope you decide to become engaged to whatever degree you can. The HANA BoD wants HANA to be a vibrant, diverse, welcoming, transparent, and effective association. This only happens when you, the members, participate.

Please call me if you have any questions at 979 571 3248.

Mahalo for being a HANA member and for helping make HANA as representative, effective, and fun as we can be!

With my warmest Aloha, Molly Johnston, HANA President.