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American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology Announces 2026 Board of Directors

January 7, 2026, Deerfield, Ill. --- The [American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.](https://www.abpn.org) (ABPN) announces its 2026 Board of Directors. The board's term runs from January through December 2026.

ABPN Chair Amy Brooks-Kayal, MD

Dr. Brooks-Kayal is Professor and Chair of Neurology, and the Andrew John Gabor, MD, PhD Presidential Endowed Chair at the University of California, Davis, School of Medicine in Sacramento, CA. She is certified by the ABPN in Child Neurology and Epilepsy and participates in continuing certification.

Dr. Brooks-Kayal currently serves on the Executive Committee of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders (NINDS) Child Neurology Career Development (K12) Program, on the External Advisory Board (EAB) for the NINDS Epilepsy Therapy Screening Program, and as Associate Editor for Epilepsy for the *Annals of Neurology*. She was previously President of the American Epilepsy Society (AES), a councilor for the American Neurological Association (ANA), the Association of Academic Leaders of Neurology (AALN, formerly the AUPN), and the Professors of Child Neurology (PCN), and a member of the NINDS Advisory Council.

Dr. Brooks-Kayal has received the AES Founders Award and the Child Neurology Society (CNS) Bernard Sachs Award, and was named an Ambassador for Epilepsy by the International League Against Epilepsy in recognition of her record of lifetime achievement in the field of epilepsy.

During her service as Chair of the ABPN, Dr. Brooks-Kayal will serve as Chair of the Neurology Council and several ABPN committees. Dr. Brooks-Kayal succeeds 2025 Board Chair Josepha Cheong, MD.



Amy Brooks-Kayal, MD

ABPN Vice Chair Robert J. Boland, MD

Dr. Boland is Vice Chair of the Menninger Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Baylor College of Medicine, The Brown Foundation Endowed Chair in Psychiatry at Baylor, and the Chief of Staff at the Menninger Clinic in Houston, TX. He is certified by the ABPN in Psychiatry, Geriatric Psychiatry, and Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry and participates in continuing certification.

Dr. Boland serves as chair of the American Board of Medical Specialties' Committee on Certification (ABMS COCERT). He is the 2026 Program Chair for the American College of Psychiatrists. Dr. Boland has also served as president of the Academy of Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry (formerly the Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine), the American Association of Directors of Residency Training, and the Association for Academic Psychiatry.

As Vice Chair of the ABPN, Dr. Boland serves as chair of the Psychiatry Council and several ABPN committees. Dr. Boland succeeds 2025 Board Vice Chair Imran Ali, MD.

"We are fortunate to have Drs. Brooks-Kayal and Boland taking the helm of the ABPN board in 2026," ABPN President and CEO Dr. Jeffrey Lyness said. "Both are outstanding physicians and leaders. I am excited to work with them in their new roles."

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New to the ABPN Board

The ABPN welcomes two new board members in 2026.

Aatif M. Husain, MD, MBA, is Professor and Director of Operations, Capacity, and Communication in the Department of Neurology at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, NC. He also serves as Chief of the Division of Epilepsy, Sleep, and Neurophysiology.

Dr. Husain is certified by the ABPN in Neurology, Epilepsy, Sleep Medicine, and Clinical Neurophysiology and participates in continuing certification.



Robert J. Boland, MD



Aatif M. Husain, MD, MBA

Jed Magen, DO, MS, is Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry at the College of Human Medicine and the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI.

Dr. Magen is certified by the ABPN in Psychiatry and in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and participates in continuing certification.



Jed Magen, DO, MS

“The ABPN directors have again selected highly regarded colleagues to join our board,” Dr. Lyness said. “Drs. Husain and Magen each bring invaluable perspectives and expertise to our work.”

ABPN 2026 Board of Directors

In addition to the Board Chair and Vice Chair, additional members of the Executive Committee include Jaffar Khan, MD, Board Secretary; Andrea Stolar, MD, Board Treasurer; Sheldon Benjamin, MD, Board Member-at-Large; and Ericka P. Greene, MD, MACM, Board Member-at-Large.

The ABPN board of directors is comprised of board-certified psychiatrists and neurologists.

In addition to Dr. Boland, the 2026 ABPN Psychiatry Directors include:

- Iqbal “Ike” Ahmed, MD
- Sheldon Benjamin, MD
- Takesha J. Cooper, MD, MS
- Sandra M. DeJong, MD
- David C. Henderson, MD
- Jed Magen, DO, MS
- Andrea G. Stolar, MD

In addition to Dr. Brooks-Kayal, the 2026 ABPN Neurology Directors include:

- Ericka Fullwood Augustine, MD, MS
- Nancy Bass, MD
- Ericka P. Greene, MD, MACM
- Aatif M. Husain, MD, MBA
- Michael S. Jaffee, MD
- Jaffar Khan, MD
- Benn E. Smith, MD

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