



Samantha Anne, MD, MS

**Candidate for
Nominating Committee
Academic (seat one)**

***How will you select candidates for Academy leadership that best represent our diverse membership?
What experience do you have that will aid in selecting leaders that will advance the mission of the
Academy?***

“Here’s to the crazy ones, the misfits, the rebels, the troublemakers, the round pegs in the square hole, the ones who see things differently...” This narrative from a popular tech company advertisement follows with a description of how these are the people that “change things”. The importance of thinking innovatively became clear to me especially during the past year. I believe that the way to capture these resourceful intellectuals is to draw from our incredibly heterogeneous membership to find leaders with integrity that have proven to be inventive trailblazers.

I have served on various leadership roles in the American Academy of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, including on the Board of Directors (as Young Physician Section Chair) and on the Board of Governors (as Secretary and current Vice Chair of Governance and Society Engagement committee). In addition, I have been the chair of the Women in Otolaryngology Section’s nominating committee. This service afforded me the chance to observe leaders and the qualities that elevate them as successful advocates for our profession.

This experience, along with my motivation to identify talented and innovative leaders, will guide me if I am given the incredible honor to serve on the nominating committee.

Many of my otolaryngology colleagues around the country reflect on their career choice and find the profession rewarding and fulfilling. I'm no different. It's been nearly 13 years since I started as a Pediatric Otolaryngologist and there is nothing else that I would do. I completed my undergraduate, graduate, and medical school education at Wayne State University. I then started my otolaryngology training at SUNY Syracuse and completed my training for the last 3 years at Case Western Reserve University. I then went on to complete a fellowship in pediatric otolaryngology at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. I developed an interest in pediatric hearing loss during my early years of practice and have since honed my clinical practice and research projects directed to this topic. I currently practice at Cleveland Clinic and I am an associate professor of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck surgery at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine.

In the past few years, I have been honored to serve the American Academy of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS) in various means. I have contributed to the educational content at our national meetings with mini-seminars, instruction courses, and various scientific presentations. I have volunteered in and/or chaired various committees in Women in Otolaryngology Section (Nominating and Program committee), Hearing Committee, and others. One great sense of pride and accomplishment comes from serving on the Board of Directors as YPS chair and Board of Governors as Secretary and current Vice Chair of Governance and Society Engagement committee. My service on the Board of Directors allowed me to learn about the complexities of Academy administration and had the pleasure of meeting the leaders that shape and execute AAO-HNS's vision. Through these experiences, I have learned valuable leadership skills and have had the pleasure of meeting many members of AAO-HNS leadership.

I have been fortunate to have had incredible opportunities to be involved in local and national organizations. The nominating committee has an arduous task of finding the preeminent leaders in our specialty to lead the Academy in the right direction with the correct vision. These leaders of our specialty should represent the diversity of our membership whether it may be in gender, race, sexual orientation, age, or other minorities. In addition, candidates should represent the varied needs of our membership-whether in academic or private practice.

*"The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new"-
Socrates*

The pandemic and resultant rapid flux in the past year highlighted the need for the Academy to be flexible in how to best meet the needs of the members-whether producing impactful guidance on clinical care, converting the national meeting into a well-orchestrated virtual session, and other modifications. If there is one thing I learned from the past year, it is that leaders also need to be adaptable, amenable, and tenable when change is the only thing that is consistent.

I believe I have the insight, background, and leadership skills that will help me in identifying the right candidates for these elected positions. I understand the gravity of the nominating committee and would be honored with the opportunity to serve our membership in this capacity.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Samantha Anne

Current Employment: Cleveland Clinic Foundation

Place of Birth: Vijaywada, India

Education (include institutions, dates, degrees):

School: Wayne State University

Degree: Bachelor of Science Dates: 7/95-7/97

Degree: Master of Science Dates: 7/97-7/98

Degree: Doctor of Medicine Dates: 7/98-6/02

Residency and Fellowship:

Institution: SUNY-Syracuse

Position: Intern, Post Graduate Year II in Otolaryngology

Dates: 7/02-6/04

Institution: CWRU-University Hospitals

Position: Post Graduate Year III-V in Otolaryngology

Dates: 7/04-6/07

Institution: UPMC-Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh

Position: Fellowship in Pediatric Otolaryngology

Dates: 7/07-6/08

Specialty: Pediatric Otolangology

Licensure and Certification: Name of Board: American Board of Otolaryngology Date of Certificate: 06/04/2019

Previous Employment:**Memberships and Offices Held /Academy and other societies:**

American Academy of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery

Board of Governors

Vice Chair, Governance and Society Engagement, , appointed position 9/2019-9/2021

Secretary, elected position 9/2017-9/2019

Socioeconomic and Grassroots committee 9/2014-8/2018

Chair for Opioid use Clinical Practice Guideline, 6/2019

ENThealth.org Executive Committee: appointed 2018-2019

Assistant Chair for Epistaxis Clinical Practice Guideline, 9/2017-2019

Hearing Committee 10/01/2017-09/30/2019

Implantable Hearing Devices Committee 10/01/2017-09/30/2019

Women in Otolaryngology

Endowment Committee 9/2017-8/2019

Chair, Nominating Committee, 2017-2018

Program Committee 9/2014-8/2016
 Nominating Committee, 2013-2014
 Member-at-Large, elected position 9/2015-8/2017
 Search Committee, Coordinator-Elect of International Affairs, 2015-2016
 Board of Directors, 2015-2016
 Young Physician Section
 Chair, 2015-2016; Chair-elect, 2014-2015
 Chair; Nominating Committee, 2016-17
 Co-chair Program Committee, 2013-2016
 Board of Governor Representative, 2016-2017

Society of Ear Nose Throat Disorders Affecting Children (SENTAC), Program Committee, 2015-2016

American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology
 Nominating committee, elected position 4/2019-4/2020
 Membership committee, appointed position 4/2019-4/2022
 Program Chair, ASPO Summer meeting, Frontiers, 8/2018-8/2019
 Newsletter Editor 5/2014-5/2016
 Program Committee, 5/2016-5/2020

American Board of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, Complex Pediatric Otolaryngology Working Group

Editorial board member for *JAMA Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery*, 2018-present
 Triological Society-inducted as fellow

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), member, 2014-present
 American College of Surgeons (ACS), member, 2014-present
 American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology (ASPO), member, 2011-present
 Society of Ear Nose Throat Disorders Affecting Children (SENTAC), member, 2008-present
 Northeast Ohio Head and Neck Society (NEOHNS), member, 2008-present
 Women's Professional Staff Association, (WPSA), member, 2008-present

Editor for Patient Page for *JAMA Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery*, 2018-present

Reviewer for *Laryngoscope*

Reviewer for *International Journal of Pediatric Otorhinolaryngology*

Honors/Awards:

American Board of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery
 Young physician section Model Mentor Award, 2019
 Honor Award, 2018

G-I-N North America (EGAPPSII) Scholar awards, 2017

American Board of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, Complex Ped Otolaryngology, Senior Examiner, 2018-current

Cleveland Magazine Top Docs 2017, 2020

Resident Reviewer Development Program Mentor for journal Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, 2016

Star Reviewer for the journal Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, 2016

Women in Otolaryngology Leadership Program, 2015

Community Service:

Walk with Doc 2010-2012

Health Fair, Greater Cleveland SV Temple 2010

Regional/Local Hospital Participation:

Cleveland Clinic Head and Neck Institute nominee to the Board of Governors

Surgical Operations-Council of Directors, The Cleveland Clinic, 2018-19

Northeast Ohio Head and Neck Society (NEOHNS)

Membership director, 2011-12

Program chair, 2012-13

Secretary 2013-2014

President 2014-2015

Board of Governors (BOG) rep for Socioeconomic and Grassroots committee, 2013-2015

Women's Professional Staff Association, Cleveland Clinic, Inst. representative, 2012-15

Summation of Published Works Within the Specialty:

2 books, co-editor

11 book chapters

4 invited articles/reviews

66 peer reviewed articles