



**Cherie-Ann O. Nathan, MD**

**Candidate for  
At-Large Director  
Academic (four-year term)**

***What do you see as the essential task of the Directors and in what ways are you well suited to that role? What do you think is the most important issue that our Academy is currently facing?***

Peter Drucker: “Management is doing things right; Leadership is doing the right thing”. We are emerging from one of the most disruptive events - a devastating pandemic that has impacted everyone. The world has changed dramatically and the Academy as a world leader of our specialty is faced with the task of leading in the aftermath of this crisis.

My journey from a young international research assistant at John’s Hopkins to the Department Chair has given me a unique perspective on practice, research, and education in a collaborative setting. The crisis has brought the world closer through virtual meetings and we have a great opportunity to be the leader for the world in all of these areas including mentorship.

We need visionary hard-working reputed leaders, listeners, effective communicators who can continue to help the Academy be the powerhouse that unifies and leads the diverse world ENT community. As one of the few minority female chairs leading a highly productive Academic department that works closely with private and public hospitals in rural and urban areas in Louisiana, I believe I am uniquely equipped to help enact.

If given the opportunity I will work hard on strengthening the bonds between academics and private practice while broadening our horizons in terms of gender empowerment and diversity, incorporating the latest technologies with greater emphasis on our mission which is always putting our patients and their wellness first.

Adapting and leading in the post-pandemic world is our highest priority at the moment. We have a unique opportunity to provide access to every corner of the world in terms of outstanding patient care, educational opportunities, and mentorship programs. I envision the Academy embracing the latest technologies in terms of apps, servers, robotics, and AI to become the global hub collaborating with all the Societies and Organizations.

It is truly an honor to have been asked to apply for the position of At Large Director. The academy has been a big part of my life since the first meeting in New Orleans in 1990. One cannot overemphasize our role in education, leadership, mentorship, research, and a voice on Capitol Hill defending our specialty, diversity, equity for both private practice and academics. We have all seen firsthand how our Academy provided us with real time information during Covid and helped us in our practice and our personal lives during these difficult times.

My experience at the Academy or the American Head and Neck Society where I serve as President, Society of University Otolaryngology, ABO Board of Directors, American College of Surgeons Board of Governors or organizations outside our field ASCO /ASTRO, American Cancer Society HPV Task Force or the NCI Steering committee have all taught me that to inspire both oneself and others we have to lead by example, listen and then act for the good of all Academy members.

During every leadership position in my career I loved the challenges, cherished the friendships that were built and the joy of seeing how our collective energy was able to accomplish so much and move our specialty and Organization forward. I believe my time as a head and neck surgeon , a researcher and an administrator as chair of a department has taught me to listen, manage my time, network and be accessible at all times so as to respond to the urgent matters at hand and advocate for fellow members and patients.

As chair of Oto/HNS at LSU Health Shreveport, I have had the good fortune of having patients endow two professorships in the department. During these times of less remuneration and NIH spending cuts philanthropy becomes much more important for fund-raising and passion for our cause must be communicated clearly and effectively to our Donors. Working on the finance committee and the Foundation taught me how engaging industry is critical in supporting our mission.

I have been part of many International meetings whether it was in Peru, South Korea, England, or Brazil. The world is more connected than ever since the Pandemic and working together with our international colleagues has made us all stronger.

Finally the staff at the Academy are a fabulous team: prompt in their reply, courteous and make our job easy and I am grateful for the many great opportunities I've had to work with them and more than ready to take on this position should I be nominated. My experience, track record and support for the strategic plan of the organization makes me well-suited for this leadership position should I be nominated. Simply put, I love our Academy and am ready to serve!

## CURRICULUM VITAE

**Name:** Cherie-Ann Nathan, MD, FACS

**Current Employment:** Endowed Prof. & Chair Oto/HNS LSU-Health Shreveport, Chief of Service Ochsner-LSU Health Shreveport, Director of Head & Neck Surgery & Research Feist-Weiller Cancer Ctr

**Place of Birth:** Pune, India

**Education (include institutions, dates, degrees):**

Premed	1979-1981	HSc	1981
Medicine	1982-1987	MD (MBBS)	1987

**Residency and Fellowship:**

Post-doc Research Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University Dept of Oto/HNS	1988-1989
General Surgery Internship: Butterworth Hospital, Michigan State Univ.	1989-1990
Oto/HNS Residency at UCSD	1990-1994
Head & Neck Fellowship: UCSD	1994-1995

**Specialty:** Head and neck

**Licensure and Certification:** LA State Board of Medical Examiners; Board Certified Oto/HNS 1995

**Previous Employment:** VAMC: Chief of Oto/HNS 1995-1996

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

Chair of the Head and Neck Surgery Oncology Committee for AAO-HNS	2020-2022
Chair Task Force for the Research/Quality Coordinator AAO-HNS	2017
AAO-HNS Head & Neck CORE Grant Leader	2015-2020
AAO-HNS subcommittee for "Practice of the Future"	2016
Annual Meeting Program Advisory Committee AAO-HNS	2013-2017
Nominating Committee for Academic sector AAO-HNS	2016-2019
Head and Neck Surgery & Oncology Committee AAO-HNS	2015-2019
American Academy of Oto/HNS CORE Grant Reviewer	2011-current
AAO-HNSF committee to identify research gaps	2012
Search Committee for American Academy of Oto/HNS Research Director	2009
Head and Neck Surgery and Oncology Committee, AAO-HNS	2005-2010
Co-Director of AAO-HNS: Cutting Edge Robotics in Laryngology & Otology: TORS and Beyond	2017
Program Advisory Committee AAO-HNS Head & Neck Team Leader	2016
Pre-Meeting AAO-HNS Sialendoscopy Course Director	2016
President of the American Head & Neck Society	2019-2021
American College of Surgeons Board of Governor (Triologic Society Rep)	2021-2023
Board of Directors: American Board of Oto/HNS	2020-2025
President Elect AADO	2019-2021
HPV Roundtable Steering Committee for American Cancer Society:	2018-2020
Vice-President of the American CORLAS (Collegium) Group	2015-present
SUO Council Member	2017-2019
Chair of Multidisciplinary Meeting ASCO ASTRO AHNS	2018-2022
Associate Editor for Laryngoscope Interactive Otolaryngology	2015-present
Provider Training Task Group for HPV American Academy of Pediatrics	2015-present
FDA's Center for Devices Expert advice	2019
Head and Neck Cancer Alliance Executive Committee	2017-present

HNCA: Patient Education Committee	2017
ABO Senior Examiner	2017-2020
ASCO Larynx Preservation Expert Guideline Panel	2016
AHNS Fellowship Training, Accreditation, and Credentialing (TAC)	2016-2021
AADO Secretary Treasurer	2016-2018
AADO Chair of "New Chair Committee"	2016-2018
SUO Audit Committee	2014-2017
AADO Nominating Committee	2014-2016
Women in AHNS Task Force	2014-2017
NCI Steering Committee	2014-present
National Otolaryngology Physician-Scientist Assembly Triologic Society	2014
Pennington Biomedical Research Center Scientific Advisory Board	2013
Ad Hoc Search Committee for AHNS Managing company	2013
Finance Committee Chair AHNS	2012-2015
Triological Society Best Practice committee	2012-present
Chair of Clinical Science Symposium for ASCO Targeting Thyroid Cancer	2012
ASCO Faculty online review module focusing on Head and Neck Cancer	2012
Director of Research Head and Neck Cancer Alliance	2010-present
CONC Study Section NIH	2010
Board of Trustees for the Foundation AHNS	2009
Previously-untreated Locally Advanced Task Force NCI	2007-present
Southwest Oncology Group/Head and Neck Committee	2003-Present
Society of University Otolaryngologist: Resident Education Hours	2004
IFOS Program Committee 2021 Vancouver	2021
International Editorial Board Acta Oto-Laryngologica	2020
International Head and Neck Scientific Group	2020
Program Advisory Committee for multiple meetings IFOS, Trio, IFHNOS, World Congress	

#### Honors/Awards:

Vice President's Citation for the Western Section of the Triological Society Dr. Wang	2021
Margaret F. Butler Outstanding Mentor of Women in HNS Award	2020
Champion of Hope" Honoree by the American Cancer Society, Northwest LA	2020
Junior Achievement of North Louisiana Business Hall of Fame	2019
Gold Humanism Honor Society	2019
Triologic Sectional Meetings Distinguished Guest Award from Dr. Bradford	2018
Nominated by AAO-HNS for the "AMA-Women Physician Surgeons Inspirational Physicians"	2015
Presidential Citation American Head & Neck Society New York	2014
American Academy of Oto/HNS Distinguished Service Award	2001,2014
Shreveport Bossier Magazine "Creative Folks"	2013
Shreveport-Bossier Chamber of Commerce Athena Award for Community Leader	2012
Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation	2012
Endowed Professorship "The Nathan Endowed Professorship" by Grateful patients	2010
Best Doctors	2010-present
Collegium ORLAS Induction	2008
Providence House Hall of Fame for Homeless	2008
Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society as Faculty Member	2006
Woman Who has Made a Difference to Shreveport	1998
AAOA Travel Award	1993
AAO-HNS Cherry Blossom Travel Award	1991
INLAKS Scholarship for Outstanding Student-Scientist to Johns Hopkins University	1988-1989
RHODES Scholarship finalist	1987

#### Community Service:

Director of the Yul Brynner Screening of Head and Neck Cancer	1999-present
Selected by Shreveport Times for "Giving Shreveport A sense of Place"	2016
Board of Governors Contact for Congressional District in an effort called Project 535	2016
Holy Angels a skilled facility for mentally challenged patients: Committee for Fund raising	2014
Key Note Speaker for Graduation St Elizabeth Church on motivating kids for community service	2012
Macenas Society Board of Directors for Caddo Magnet High	2010-2015
Board of Directors Sciport	2009-2014
Initiated Monthly Birthday Parties at a Homeless shelter in Shreveport since	2008
Board of Directors South Highlands Foundation	2006, 2007
Chairman of the Media Committee for Shreveport Medical Society	2007
Nominated to speak at the school board for survival of the Magnet schools	2005
Women in Medicine Dean TV show	2002
Sponsor multiple fund raisers for the Cancer center	
Mentor for multiple high school, undergraduate, minority students for research	

#### Regional/Local Hospital Participation:

Translational Research Team	2017-present
OR committee	2017-present
MEC	2013-present
Cancer Committee	2011-present
Chief of Staff for University Health	2013-2014
Vice President (President Elect) of the Medical Staff	2012
Secretary for the Practice Plan, LSU Shreveport	2015
Presidential Search for the LSU system	2013
Diversity Task Force	2011
Chair Promotions Committee	2010
Shreveport Medical Society Media Committee Chair	2009
Committee for Disaster Medicine Reform	2008
Search Committee for the Chancellor LSUHSC, Shreveport	2008
Board of Directors Shreveport Medical Society	2006-2008
Dean's Search Committee	2005
Feist-Weiller Cancer Board	2002-present
Delegate to the Louisiana State Medical Society	2001
Gene Therapy Advisory Committee	2000

#### Summation of Published Works Within the Specialty:

I have 211 Peer reviewed publications and published proceedings with a focus on head and neck cancer, both clinical and research. Our original work on Targeted Therapy for molecular positive margins with Akt/mTOR inhibitors has resulted in a "Multi-institutional Clinical Trial" and NIH RO1 grants and our lab has been funded since 2000. We have written multiple book chapters on Biomarkers in HNSCC. For early stage disease our research efforts on "Improving Bioavailability of Curcumin for Prevention of Cancer has also resulted in a clinical trial and NCI funding. This has also led to a patent on curcumin gum formulations and an IND. We also have publications in the area of Skin Carcinogenesis and Curcumin and our residents secured resident research grants and awards from the Academy and Trio. Our work on targeted therapy was first supported by a grant awarded to me through the Academy which certainly laid the foundation for future grants. More recently with the epidemic of HPV associated cancers we have some novel work on the role of coinfection of EBV and HPV in HNSCC funded by the NIDCR. Our new RO1 addresses "Targeting the FGFR-2 pathway for cutaneous SCC" and holds potential for patients with aggressive cSCC. Our work demonstrates the importance a surgeon-scientist plays in moving novel ideas from the bench to the bedside. In addition I am an editor on a few head and neck surgery books and have contributed to 17 chapters in Otolaryngology Text Books.