

I, Annie Babikian, am currently serving our veterans as a staff chiropractor with the VA Palo Alto Healthcare System (VAPAHCS).

Prior to joining VAPAHCS in January 2020, I was the lead clinician in the Tactical Sports Medicine department at Southern California University of Health Sciences while also serving patients in private practice with a sports medicine emphasis in Huntington Beach, California. I graduated from Southern California University of Health Sciences in 2013 and completed the Diplomate in Sports Medicine and the Spine Care residency program in 2015. While managing private practice, I continued to stay involved with the ACBSP through volunteer rotations at the Olympic Training Centers in 2016, 2017, and 2018. In addition to the clinical interactions with Olympic and national athletes, I administratively volunteered in committees, including the CCSP and DACBSP exam-writing committees, abstract review committee, and the CCSP and DACBSP job analysis survey committees.

Since joining the chiropractic team at VAPAHCS, I serve as a clinical attending in the chiropractic residency program, adjunct faculty member at Palmer Chiropractic College, chair of the clinical competency committee, and an integrative team member in the STORM committee for legacy opioid patients. I continue to participate in sports chiropractic care though I have modified my skills to apply to the world of adaptive sports medicine in collaboration with the Stanford Medicine sports medicine fellowship. The experience and knowledge gained from these positions will contribute to my success as a member of the ACBSP Board of Directors, should I be elected.

I am humbled and grateful to have been nominated for this position on the ACBSP Board of Directors. As I have matured professionally, I have given considerable thought to this leadership position. I hope to now give back to the ACBSP organization as the organization and its leaders have been a pivotal influence in my professional achievements. I am confident that I can fulfill the responsibilities of this position with values of leadership, dedication, and excellence.