

Board of Trustees (vote for four, contingent on election of Dr. Harmon as president-elect)

Ilse R. Levin, DO, MPH



A board certified internist and epidemiologist practicing at Mid-Atlantic Permanente, Ilse Levin's roots and belief in organized medicine run deep.

From med school in California where she served as a CMA delegate, to her residency at Baystate Medical Center/Tufts where she was on the Massachusetts Medical Society delegation, to her work over three terms on the AMA Council on Science and Public Health, and to chair of her specialty's AMA delegation—Dr. Levin knows first-hand the essential role organized medicine must play in advancing America's health, while advocating for our patients and our profession—including America's pluralistic modes of medical practice, which are under attack.

Her years of advocacy work have shown her that crafting the best health policy does not have to be ... in fact, should not be ... a zero-sum game of winners vs. losers, primary vs. procedural or academic vs. practicing physicians. Ilse understands that when we physicians pool our collective wisdom—focusing on our patients and how the policies we develop will affect them—we practice medicine at its best.

The AMA Foundation has recognized her advocacy work with a Leadership Award; currently, she is president of the Forum for Medical Affairs.

In addition to her participation in our House, she serves on the Board of Directors for the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, as well as for the American Society of Addiction Medicine. She has represented the AMA to the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the CDC's National Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis.

Now, Dr. Levin would like to put her years of experience and service to work at the next level of AMA leadership, as a trustee on our Board.

The American Society of Addiction Medicine is proud to nominate Ilse Levin for this important leadership post. She is endorsed by the American College of Physicians, the AMA Young Physicians Section, the Section Council on Pain and Palliative Medicine, the Section Council on Preventive Medicine, the Neuroscience Caucus and the Southeastern Delegation to the AMA.

Dr. Levin pledges to bring to our Board a broad understanding and commitment to serving all areas of medicine and, respectfully, asks for your vote.

Family time finds her and husband Seth sharing their love of exploring our national parks with their 9-year-old son and indulging his passion for fossil hunting.

Personal statement:

"When as a first-year med student, I submitted a resolution and watched in awe as it not only received thoughtful consideration by the House but was voted official policy, the AMA turned my passion for advocacy into purpose; I feel so privileged to be part of organized medicine."