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**AMERICAN BOARD OF PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY
ANNOUNCES 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

January 7, 2016, Buffalo Grove, Illinois --- The [American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.](http://www.abpn.com) (ABPN) announces its 2016 Board of Directors. The board's term runs from January through December 2016.

Kailie R. Shaw, MD, is the 2016 Chair of the ABPN. Dr. Shaw is a Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry at the University of South Florida, where she served as Vice Chairperson for 15 years and most recently served as Interim Chair of the department from April 2014 until the new Chair assumed duties in July 2015.

As an ABPN Director, Dr. Shaw serves as Chair of the ABPN, and Chair of the Communications, Disabilities Accommodations, Review of Psychiatry Appeals, Irregular Behavior, and Nominations Committees. She is also a member of the Psychiatry Council and serves on the Finance, Investment, Faculty Innovation in Education Award, and Strategic Planning Committees. She is also a liaison to the AACAP.

Formerly a member of the RRC for Psychiatry and 26th President of AADPRT, Dr. Shaw was appointed to the ACGME's committee to develop Milestones for Psychiatry. She is a Distinguished Fellow of the APA, the AACAP and a member of the ACP. Dr. Shaw served as a Director of the ABFM until 2015 and currently sits on the ABFM Foundation Board.

Dr. Shaw succeeds Ann Tilton, MD, Professor of Clinical Neurology, Section Chief of Child Neurology, and Director of the Child Neurology Fellowship Program at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans, as Chair.

Noor A. Pirzada, MD, is the 2016 Vice Chair of the ABPN. Dr. Pirzada is Professor of Neurology at the University of Toledo in Toledo, OH, where he has served as Program Director for more than 15 years. He is also Director of the Electromyography Laboratory, the Chemodenervation Clinic and the Neuromuscular Clinic for the University.

As an ABPN Director, Dr. Pirzada serves as Vice Chair of the ABPN, Chair of the Committee to Review Neurology Appeals, the Neuromuscular Medicine Steering Committee and the Vascular Neurology Steering Committee; Vice Chair of the Neuromuscular Medicine Certification and MOC Examination, and Core Competencies Committees; and liaison to the AAN UCNS. He is a member of the Neurology Council and committees on Disability Accommodations, Finance, Investment, Combined Training Program Oversight, Irregular Behavior, Strategic Planning, and Nominations for 2017 Officers.

He has been the recipient of the AAN A.B. Baker Teacher Recognition Award, the AAN CNPD Program Director Award and the Dean's Teaching Excellence Award at the University of Toledo. He has received the

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Golden Apple Teaching Award at the University of Toledo on multiple occasions. His special interests include use of Botulinum Toxin in the treatment of various neurological disorders, Myasthenia Gravis and medical education.

Dr. Pirzada succeeds Robert W. Guynn, MD, Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston, as Vice Chair.

Newly elected to the ABPN 2016 Board of Directors are Steven L. Lewis, MD, Nina F. Schor, MD, PhD and Christopher R. Thomas, MD.

“The ABPN is indeed very fortunate to have Dr. Kailie Shaw as its Chair and Dr. Noor Pirzada as its Vice Chair this year,” said Larry R. Faulkner, MD, ABPN President and CEO. “Both have been excellent directors of the ABPN for the past seven years and bring a wealth of relevant professional experience to their new roles.”

“Likewise, the ABPN is pleased to welcome Drs. Steven Lewis, Nina Schor and Christopher Thomas as its newest directors. Drs. Lewis, Schor and Thomas have had distinguished careers as academicians and clinicians and significant past experience as ABPN examiners and committee members.”

Additional members of the Executive Committee include: Kerry H. Levin, MD, Secretary; J. Clay Goodman, MD, Treasurer; George A. Keepers, MD, Member-at-Large; and Robert J. Ronis, MD, MPH, Member-at-Large.

For the ABPN, the specialties of neurology and psychiatry are represented equally on its board of directors. In addition to Dr. Shaw, the 2016 ABPN Psychiatry Directors include:

- Joan M. Anzia, MD
- Robert N. Golden, MD
- Paramjit T. Joshi, MD
- George A. Keepers, MD
- Jeffrey M. Lyness, MD
- Robert J. Ronis, MD, MPH
- Christopher R. Thomas, MD

In addition to Dr. Pirzada, the 2016 ABPN Neurology Directors include:

- John B. Bodensteiner, MD
- Allison Brashear, MD, MBA
- J. Clay Goodman, MD
- Laurie Gutmann, MD
- Kerry H. Levin, MD
- Steven L. Lewis, MD
- Nina F. Schor, MD, PhD

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