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**AMERICAN BOARD OF PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY
ANNOUNCES 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

January 4, 2017, Buffalo Grove, Illinois --- The [American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.](http://www.abpn.com) (ABPN) announces its 2017 Board of Directors. The board's term runs from January through December 2017.



Kerry H. Levin, MD, is the 2017 Chair of the ABPN. Dr. Levin is Chairman of the Department of Neurology at Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio. He is director of the Neuromuscular Center at Cleveland Clinic and Professor of Medicine (Neurology) at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University. His clinical interests include electromyography, peripheral neuropathy, and myasthenia gravis.

As an ABPN Director, Dr. Levin serves as Chair of the Neurology Council. He also Chairs the Committees on Disability Accommodations, Neurology Appeals Review, Irregular Behavior, Maintenance of Certification, 2018 Officer Nominations, Certification Examination Combined – Neurology, Clinical Neurophysiology Steering, Clinical Neurophysiology Certification and MOC Examination, and Epilepsy Steering. He is Vice Chair of the Research Award Committee, Certification Examination Combined Clinical Neurology Subcommittee, and Epilepsy Certification and MOC Examination Committee. He serves as a member of the Communications, Finance, Investment, and Strategic Planning Committees. Dr. Levin is also the liaison for the ABMS CCC.

Dr. Levin succeeds Kailie R. Shaw, MD, Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry at the University of South Florida, as Chair.



Robert J. Ronis, MD, MPH, is the 2017 Vice Chair of the ABPN. Dr. Ronis is the Douglas Bond Professor and Chair of Psychiatry at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine and University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center in Cleveland, Ohio.

As an ABPN Director, Dr. Ronis serves as Chair of the Psychiatry Council. Dr. Ronis is also Chair of five committees: Bylaws, Psychiatry Appeals Review, Alternative Pathways Oversight, MOC Examination - Psychiatry and Addiction Psychiatry Steering. He is a liaison to the ABFM and serves on the Board of Directors. Dr. Ronis is also a member of the ABPN Committees on Communications, Finance, Investment, Irregular Behavior, Strategic Planning, 2018 Officer Nominations and Delegates for the RRC - Psychiatry.

Dr. Ronis succeeds Noor A. Pirzada, MD, Professor of Neurology at the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio, as Vice Chair.

Newly elected to the ABPN 2017 Board of Directors are Imran I. Ali, MD, FAAN and Josepha A. Cheong, MD.

“The ABPN is indeed very fortunate to have Dr. Kerry Levin as its Chair and Dr. Robert Ronis 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. Imran Ali and Josepha Cheong as its newest directors. Drs. Ali and Cheong have had distinguished careers as academicians and clinicians and significant past experience as ABPN examiners and volunteers.”

Additional members of the Executive Committee include: George A. Keepers, MD, Secretary; J. Clay Goodman, MD, Treasurer; Laurie Gutmann, MD, Member-at-Large; and Robert N. Golden, MD, Member-at-Large.

For the ABPN, the specialties of neurology and psychiatry are represented equally on its board of directors. In addition to Dr. Levin, the 2017 ABPN Neurology Directors include:

- Imran I. Ali, MD
- John B. Bodensteiner, MD
- Allison Brashear, MD, MBA
- J. Clay Goodman, MD
- Laurie Gutmann, MD
- Steven L. Lewis, MD
- Nina F. Schor, MD, PhD

In addition to Dr. Ronis, the 2017 ABPN Psychiatry Directors include:

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

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