

Candidates for the Board of Directors 2025/2026

Candidate for the office of President

Cassendra A. Munro, PhD, BS, RN, RNFA, CNOR, FAAN, FAORN Stanford Health Care, Office of Research Patient Care Services



As a committed perioperative nurse and current board member, I am honored to run for President of the AORN SFBA Chapter. Over the past year, I've worked collaboratively to support our chapter's mission, foster professional growth, and advocate for excellence in perioperative practice. I bring a deep passion for servant leadership, inclusion, and innovation in nursing. If elected, I will continue to elevate our members' voices, expand educational opportunities, and strengthen our chapter's impact both locally and nationally. Together, we will build on our momentum and lead with purpose.

Candidate for the office of Co-Vice President Joy Chau, BS, RN, PHN, CNOR John Muir Health, Walnut Creek Medical Center



As my fourth term as chapter president comes to a close, I remain fully committed to AORN and to keeping our AORN of The San Francisco Bay Area chapter viable. Therefore, along with Colleen Fiammengo as my Co-Vice President, I will strive to provide practice guidance and professional growth opportunities for our chapter members through our educational offerings. I will also continue organizing networking events like our monthly group hikes and coordinating community outreach initiatives, such as our quarterly volunteer food rescue events at White Pony Express. I would be honored and privileged for your vote to continue serving our chapter as Co-Vice President.

Candidate for the office of Co-Vice President

Colleen Fiammengo, MSN, RN, PHN, CNOR, CCM Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Summit Campus



Our most powerful tool is knowledge. Knowledge can be acquired in many ways. Examples include life experiences and wisdom of mentors. As perioperative nurses, the knowledge we rely on to guide our practice is grounded in research. This is the foundation of professional status. For the professional perioperative nurse clinical knowledge is attained via formal education.

A primary responsibility of the Vice President is to coordinate chapter education experiences. This board position is aligned with my commitment to concepts of and relationship between knowledge and education. Therefore, I believe I am qualified to fulfill the role and responsibilities of the Vice President in a shared capacity.

Sincerely, Colleen

Candidate for office of Recording Secretary
Katelyn Adkins, BSN, RN
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Summit Campus



I served the last two years as Recording Secretary for this chapter and I would be honored to serve again.

Candidate for Board Member Anna Dorion, MSN, RN, CNOR Alameda Hospital San Leandro Hospital



As a dedicated operating room nursing professional passionate about advancing our profession and improving patient care, I am excited to run for the Board of Directors for our local AORN San Francisco Bay Area nursing chapter.

I have 23 years of experience in nursing, 18 of those as an operating room registered nurse. I truly understand the challenges and opportunities facing our profession. My expertise includes being a circulator, educator, safely managing and running surgical services as well as taking care of a broad spectrum of patients, especially those who are marginalized. I am confident that my skills and experience will make me an ideal candidate for this role.

If elected, I promise to:

- Listen to and amplify the voices of our members
- Foster collaboration and partnerships to advance our chapter's goals
- Support initiatives that promote professional development, advocacy, and community engagement
- Work diligently to ensure our chapter remains a vibrant and inclusive community

I am committed to serving our chapter with integrity, transparency, and a member-centered approach. I ask for your vote as a Board Member for AORN San Francisco Bay Area and contribute to the growth and success of our nursing community.

Candidate for Board Member Laurel Ng, MSN, RN, CNOR Kaiser Permanente, Antioch



I have enjoyed serving as a board member for the last 2 years and would like to do it again.

Candidate for Board Member Ricardo (Rich) Ramirez, RN John Muir Health, Walnut Creek Medical Center



I'm interested about advancing our profession and advocating for the highest standards of patient care in the surgical setting. I have seen first hand the impact that effective policies and strong leadership can have on our practice and the patients we serve. I am excited about the opportunity to the serve the San Francisco AORN board and work alongside other passionate members to advance our mission.