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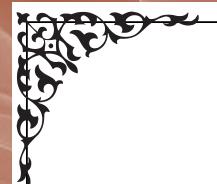
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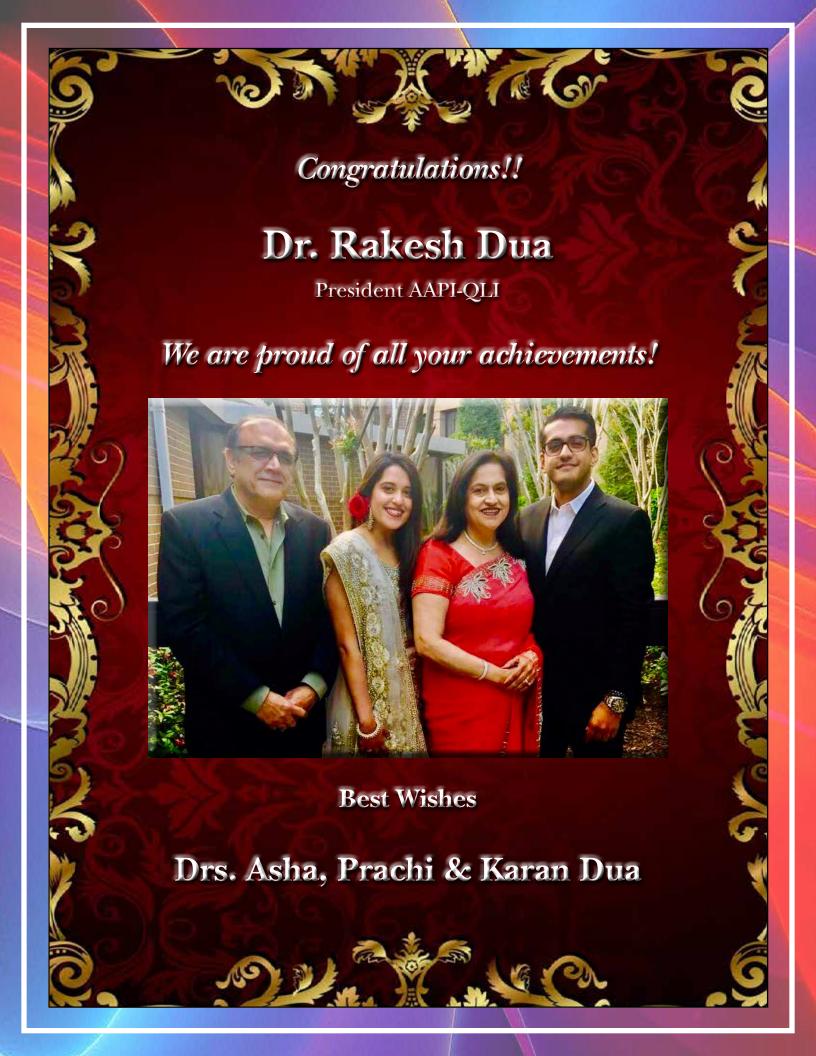
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President's Message

Good Evening,

Dear AAPI QLI friends, dignitaries and distinguished guests. It is a great honor & privilege to welcome you all to our 22nd Annual Convention.



I am humbled and honored to serve as President of AAPI QLI which is the largest chapter of National AAPI. We have 800 active members and there are 2000 Doctors of Indian origin practicing in the Queens and Long Island area.

We are here today to celebrate the achievements and outstanding contributions in the field of Medicine and Charitable work of our honorees, Dr. Mohinder Gupta, Dr. Davender Mehta, Dr. Usha Krishnan and Dr. Patrick Basu. They really make us very proud.

This year has been very successful for AAPI QLI. In this year we had 12 dinner meetings, where outstanding speakers came for many different hospitals in the area. Dr. Deven Shrivastava helped us start CME meetings, once a month on Sunday morning which is

hugely successful and is being attended by 60 to 80 Physicians.

We also started AAPI QLI health initiative once a month on Sunday mornings. We thank Dr. Bhavani Srinivasan for arranging that. We get different instructors who teach us Yoga, Tai chi, Meditation and weight training.

AAPI QLI also hosted governing body meeting on March 31st at LaGuardia Plaza hotel, attended by 100 Physicians from National AAPI from all over the USA.

AAPI QLI was also host chapter this year for the very successful 35th National AAPI convention at Harrah's Resort in Atlantic City from June 22 to the 25 under the guidance of President Dr. Ajay Lodha. It was attended by 1800 Physicians.

AAPI QLI is also involved with many charitable organizations locally, nationally and internationally. We donate money to Domestic Harmony Foundation, Rota Care, Shankar Nethralaya, soup kitchens and hurricane relief funds.

I would like to thank our convention Chair Dr. Abhay Malhotra, Co-chair Dr. Vinny Jayam, Dr. Raj Jinna and Holalekere Rajgopal for their hand work in making this event successful.

I also would like to thank Dr. Ajay Lodha for his guidance at every step and Dr. Tarun Wasil, Chair BOT for his help with the journal. My best wishes to President Elect, Dr. Jagdish Gupta for a successful 2018.

Last, I would like to thank my wife Asha and children Prachi and Karan who provided unconditional love and support.

Our aim for the next year is to increase our membership and involve more young Physicians who can take AAPI QLI a step further.

ENJOY THE REST OF THE EVENING!!!

Sincerely

Rakesh Dua, MD President- AAPIQLI

CONGRATULATIONS!!

DR ABHAY MALHOTRA

CONVENTION CHAIR

FOR YOUR HARD WORK & DEDICATION IN ORGANIZING THE 22ND ANNUAL AAPIQLI CONVENTION

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MAMTA, ADITI, UPASNA & AKSHAY



Convener's Message

Dear AAPIQLI convention delegates, colleagues and friends,

It is with great pleasure, I welcome you all to the 22nd Annual Convention Gala of AAPIQLI. Over the years the AAPIQLI annual convention has evolved to become one of the greatest and important annual confrence dedicated to Indian community in New York region.

munity in New York region.

I want to thank Dr. Rakesh Dua for giving me the honor of hosting this convention. I am truely humbled by this responsibility.

I want to congratulate all the honorees for their outstanding achievements.

This event has been made possible by tireless efforts of all the executive committee members and board of trustees members. I want to thank my convention Co-chairs - Dr. Vinny Jayam, Dr. Rajendra Jinna and Dr. Holalker Rajgopal for their hardwork and support.

This fabulous event would not been successful and great without the participation of the members of AAPIQLI. It is my honor to have you all join us to make this event memorable.

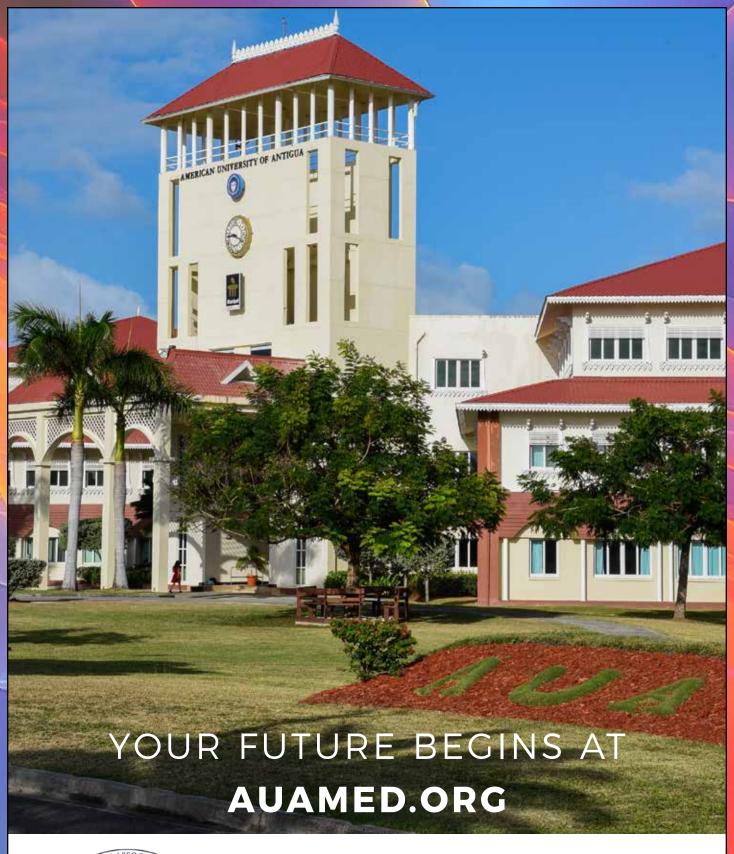
I am very gratefull to all the sponsors and thanks for contributing in this charitable event and supporting this prestigeous organozation.

Finally I would like to thank my beautiful wife Mamta and my loving and caring children Aditi, Upasna and Akshay for their intense support and encouragement.

Wishing everyone happiness, health and prosperity in 2018.

Abhay Malhotra MD FACC

Chair, AAPI-QLI Convention 2017



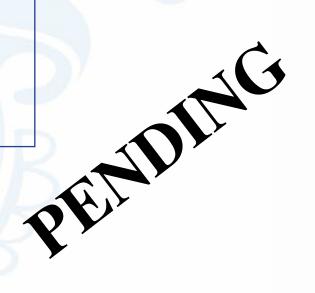








Immediate Past President's Message





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Chair Board of Trustee's Message

Welcome to the 21st annual gala of the AAPI-QLI. It is the year of Dr. Rakesh Dua and his team's successful journey. Congratulations to them on their achievements. It was an extremely busy year for him because he had to host and organize annual gala of the National AAPI also this

planned so, every busy pra successful Dr. Ajay I Every yeward to this and morning

year and he did it extremely successfully along with the excellent team planned by Dr. Ajay Lodha. While it is a great privilege and honor to do so, every one involved had to work very hard and take time out of their busy practices and family time. In the end, it turned out to be a grand successful event and the credit goes to the hard working team lead by Dr. Ajay Lodha.

Every year, AAPI-QLI does dinner meetings and our members look forward to these educational events. Dr. Rakesh Dua went a step further this and was able to pull 80-90 members every month on a Sunday morning for a CME event. This was a big change and once again, successfully done. All the credit goes to our president.

Dr. Bhavani Srinivasan has been one of our past presidents and always tries to keep herself busy with many different tasks. She organized health awareness sessions this year in order to promote some life style modifications for good health. I would like to thank her on behalf of AAPI-QLI for her time and efforts.

The CME and Research day on Non 15, 2017 was again very well organized event by Dr. Vinni Jayam and Dr. Arunabh Talwar along with their teams. The CME lectures were informative and helpful to the practicing physicians. The participants in the research competition were enthusiastic young population with some very good ideas and abstracts. Congratulations to the organizers as well as all the participants.

Dr. Abhay Malhotra is again the chairperson of the annual gala and his team is known to bring success to such events. Thanks to him and his team for their hard work and efforts. Let's all enjoy today's event put forth by them.

At this time, I would like to mention our incoming president for 2018, Dr. Jagdish Gupta who is well known to most of you and is an accomplished personality. Congratulations to him and wish him all the success. Looking forward to work with him with his brand of ideas.

Sincerely

Tarun Wasil, MD

Past President & current Chair, Board of Trustee, AAPI-QLI



Immediate Past President, AAPI Message

Dear Friends:

It is with sincere appreciation i extend my warm Congratulations Extolling the efforts by Dr. Rakesh Dua, President AAPIQLI and Dr. Abhay Malhotra, Convention Chair for the wonderful year and for the

Great Convention organized.and Congratulate all the Accomplished world renowned Venerate Honorees -Dr. Mohinder P. Gupta, Dr. Davendra Mehta, Dr. P. Patrick Basu, and Dr. Usha S. Krishnan.who excelled in their respective fields of medicine.

Also appreciate all the efforts done by this year by Dr Dua to take QLI to its new heights, especially the CME programme introduced by him was a great success.

I as immediate Past President of AAPI is extremely thankful to my Extended family the AAPIQLI and is indebted to its extreme support showered on me to make my year as successful President. Ardent Thanks to my Executive Committee and officers -Drs.Gautam Samadder, Naresh Parikh, Suresh Reddy, Manju Sachdeva and BOT Chair Madhu Aggarwal.

Special thanks to all the AAPIQLI Executive committee members, BOT for taking the initiative and making QLI as the Host Chapter for the Historic AAPI 35th Annual Convention in Atlantic City. This Convention broke all the records with the high class cutting edge CME with 10 hrs, Mouth watering delectable Cousine by Mint Caterers, Great Bollywood shows by renowned artists with their mellifluous singers they namely-Kailash Kher, Neha Kakkar, Shreya Ghoshal and jovial comedian Shailash Lodha. We cannot forget the early morning Yoga lessons to all the hundreds of guests by Worlds Great Guru Shree Baba Ramdev ji and aspirational elated teachings by Brahma Kumari Shivani Didi. Along with fashion show ,AAPI got talent where AAPI audiences were mesmerised by the talents of their own until 2:00am and then with warm flavored milk every nite, with, hot jalebis, midnite snacks and then entertainment by AAPI singers in Mehfil. We did not forget about our backbones the spouses of AAPI where every morning they used to have different artisitc lectures, workshops and special frolic-some programmes for our children.

Definitely our youth of AAPI-YPS and MSRF had all of their evenings at different venues on the white sandy beaches of Atlantic City and had special lectures with world famed renowned fanatical fervent speakers.

Thanks to all the sponsors, product theaters, trade shows for their utmost munificent support, this year we have the most record number of trade booths.

This all the success is attributed to the whole convention team including chair- Raj Bhawani, co-chairs Drs. Krishan Kumar, Jayesh Kanuga, Vinod Sancheti, Kusum Punjabi, chair-Raj Bhayani and Advisory board Chair Dr. Shashi Shah.

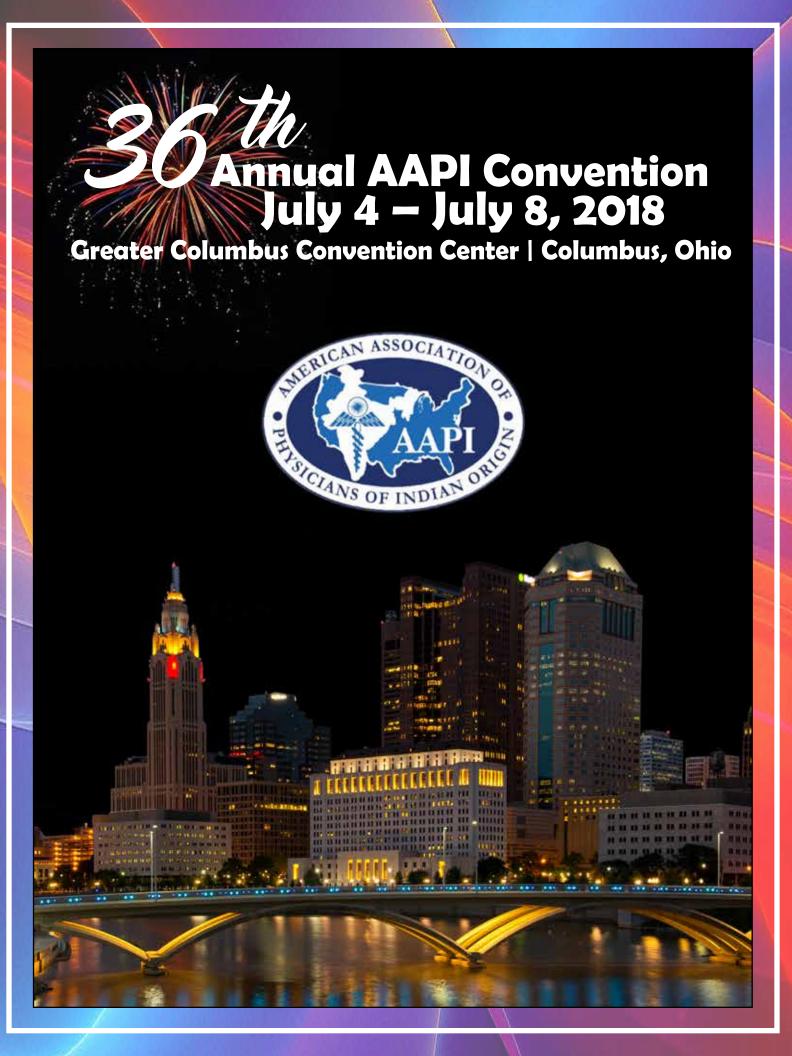
Special thanks to Host Chapter President Drs. Rakesh Dua and the money man, Treasurer Jagdish Gupta for putting our final accounting into a big black by all austere measures.

AND ABOVE ALL THANKS TO ESTEEM HOST CHAPTER -AAPIQLI.

Sincerely

Ajay K. Lodha, MD

Immediate Past President, AAPI



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November 14, 2017

Dear Esteemed Members of AAPI QLI



It's with immense pleasure today that I bring greetings to you from the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin of which we both are an integral part. AAPI over the years has matured into one of the most powerful and largest ethnic Organizations in the US, the credit for which goes to the past leaders and the membership.

As the President of AAPI, I am excited to state today that AAPI is very proud of AAPIQLI for its achievements and the many contributions to the national AAPI. It's amazing to note that

AAPIQLI has been in the forefront in enabling its leaders to be leaders at the national level. In the true tradition of its glorious history, AAPIQLI has represented at the national level with.

AAPIQLI represents more than 5,000 physicians practicing in the USA across New York, has given birth to many luminaries of AAPI who have led AAPI at the national level. Our veteran leaders, Dr. Shashi Shah, Dr. Krishan Kumar, Dr. Jagdish Gupta, Dr. Vinod Sancheti, Dr. Raj Bhayani have served and currently serving national AAPI in various leadership positions. Our immediate past President Dr. Ajay Lodha was groomed by your chapter.

Many of the physicians who represent AAPIQLI have excelled in different specialties and subspecialties and occupy high positions as faculty members of medical schools, heads of departments, and executives of hospital staff. Our physicians who are leaders in their fields and play an integral part in the decision-making process regarding new products and service.

We, as physicians make significant contributions for the betterment of people's lives. I commend and laud the efforts and hard work of all the organizing committee members. Please enjoy the 14th Anniversary Gala Banquet which AAPIQLI President Dr. Rakesh Dua and his Executive Committee has worked hard to put together.

Wishing you all the very best and a very successful convention in New York.

Sincerely,

Gautam Samadder, MD President, AAPI

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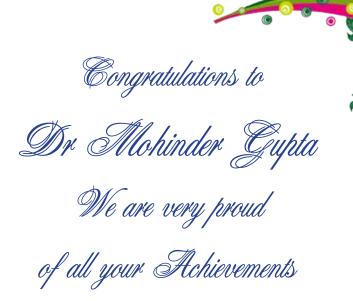
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Honoree

Dr. Mohinder Gupta

"Teaching is a very noble profession that shapes the character, caliber, and future of an individual. If the people remember me as a good teacher, that will be the biggest honour for me." - A.P.J. Abdul Kalam (11th President of India)



Dr. Mohinder P. Gupta, M.D., F.A.C.C., F.A.C.P., Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and Diplomate in Subspecialty of Cardiovascular Disease. Dr. Gupta is a Staff Cardiologist at Long Island Jewish Medical Center, New Hyde Park, N.Y., an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at Albert Einstein Medical Center & School of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y., Attending Physician at Flushing Hospital Medical Center, NY, and Physician of Cardiology and Internal Medicine at his private practice in Queens Village, New York.

Dr. Gupta's professional affiliation began in 1971 as a member of the American Heart Association, then in 1982 as a Fellow at the American College of Cardiology, and later 1987 as a Fellow at the American College of Physicians. Dr. Gupta became a member of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin-Queens & Long Island Chapter (AAPI-QLI) in 1999. His active engagement in AAPI-QLI led to his role as official Secretary of AAPI-QLI in 2001. A year later, became the Vice President of AAPI-QLI, then Presi-

dent-Elect in 2003, and then Official President of AAPI-QLI in 2004. In 2005, he joined the Board of Trustees of AAPI-QLI and continues to participate to this day. During his presidency, he founded the Charitable Chapter of AAPI-QLI. He became interested in many aspects of charitable work, however invested the most time in the Interfaith Nutrition Network, and ROTA Care which provides free medical services to low-income and undocumented families, shelter for the homeless, daily meals from its soup kitchens, as well as articles for personal needs. Additionally, during Dr. Gupta's time as president, he arranged Continual Medical Education meetings. A remarkable legacy of his tenure as president is an increase in AAPI-QLI membership from 75 to over 450.

Dr. Gupta was born in Udhampur, Jammu and Kashmir, India. As a young man, Mohinder's father, a lawyer of the Ministry of India, cultivated his interest in medicine. He was one of the first graduates of medicine as Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) at the Government Medical College of Srinagar. He finished his internship at The Government Hospital at Srinagar, India and later his residency in Internal Medicine & Surgery at Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi, India. Dr. Gupta immigrated to the United States where he began his rotating internship at Lawrence Hospital, Bronxville, New York his first-year residency in Internal Medicine at Misericordia Hospital (Bronx), and second year residency in Internal Medicine at Queens Hospital Center, LIJ Medical Center (New Hyde Park). He became Director of Cardiac Catheterization Lab at Triboro Hospital (LIJ-Queens Complex) until 1979 when he decided to pursue his private practice. During his private practice, he also became Chief of Cardiology at St. Joseph Hospital Queens (Catholic Medical Center). After leaving St. Joseph's Hospital, Dr. Gupta became Chief of Cardiology at Flushing Medical Center for two years. Since then he has devoted his time in full-time private practice in cardiology with his son, Rakesh, in their Queens Village office. Throughout his training, Dr. Gupta has also published in numerous articles in the field of cardiology.

Mohinder and his wife Sol have been married for 50 years and have two children, Vivian and Rakesh. Rakesh is married to Sumi Hagiwara-Gupta for 16 years and have two children, Mira and Ken.

Mohinder P. Gupta

Congratulations to AAPI-QLI Rakesh Dua MD, President and Convention Committee 2017



Sapna Aggarwal MD

AAPI Regional Director (New England)

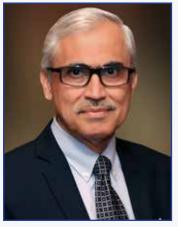
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Honoree

Prof. Davendra Mehta

Dr. Mehta is a graduate from JLN Medical College Ajmer in Rajasthan and did MD in Internal Medicine from Post-Graduate Institute in Chandigarh where he worked for 2 years as Junior faculty.



He did cardiology training from Leicester in UK followed by electrophysiology Fellowship from St Barthalomew's and St George's Hospital of University of London.

He was awarded a PhD by the University of London for work on ventricular tachycardia in patients with clinically normal heart. This work was published in several high impact peer review journals. Following this he worked at Escort's Heart Hospital in New Delhi for 2 years and then moved to the USA in 1990 on American Heart Association grant for investigation of ventricular tachycardia.

He joined the faculty of Mount Sinai Hospital and School of Medicine in 1994 as clinical cardiologist and electrophysiologist. He is

board certified in internal medicine, cardiovascular diseases and clinical cardiac electrophysiology. Currently he is Professor of Medicine at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and Director of Arrhythmia Section and Al-Sabah Arrhythmia Institute at Mount Sinai St Luke's Hospital.

He has extensively published and has more than 200 paper s to his credit. He regularly lectures nationally and internationally. Field of research interest are physical maneuvers in treatment of supraventricular tachycardia, ventricular arrhythmias in patients with normal coronary arteries, QT interval in patients with Methadone therapy and diagnosis and prevention of Arrhythmias in patients with Cardiac Sarcoidosis.

He is on the national committee for expert consensus for the management of cardiac sarcoidosis. He is fellow of the American College of Cardiology, Heart Rhythm Society and The Royal College of Physicians of UK.

He is on the list for New Yorks and Americas Best Doctors for over 10 years (best 5% physicians). Clinical interests include complex catheter ablations for treatment of cardiac arrhythmias.







Dr. P. Patrick Basu

Trained in Cambridge, England, Dr. Basu initially specialized in infectious diseases and tropical medicine from Royal College of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene and became a member of the Royal Society of Tropical Disease and Hygiene. He traveled in South-East Asia treating viral diseases of the liver,



particularly, Hepatitis-B and other parasitic liver diseases. He also pursued a special interest in liver disease and transplantation, gained expertise in London at Royal Free Hospital, under the mentorship of Dame Sheila Sherlock and became part of British Liver Trust. In the United States, he completed training at Lenox Hill Hospital and New York Downtown Hospitals in New York and Mt. Sinai School of Medicine. He completed his liver research at Bronx VA Medical Center where he conducted work in alcohol-related liver disease and viral hepatitis. He also trained in endoscopic ultrasound and attended various courses from The Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota to Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston as a part of Harvard Medical School and Internationally from University of AMC from Amsterdam.

Dr. Basu is board certified and presently sits as a scientific advisory member of the American Liver Foundation of New York Chapter. He is an active member of the American Gastrointestinal Association, the American Advanced Studies of Liver Diseases, the American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, he is a Fellow of the American Gastroenterology and the American College of Gastroenterology and the Crohn's Colitis Foundation of America. He treats Inflammatory Bowel Disease, Gastrointestinal cancer, peptic ulcer and esophageal diseases including acid reflux to Barrett's Esophagus. Cancer screening and surveillance to prevent gastrointestinal cancer and liver cancer from chronic hepatitis C is his forte. He provides cutting-edge diagnostic and therapy, 24 hour pH monitoring and pill endoscopy for determining all obscure and difficult diagnostic dilemmas. His ultimate passion is liver-related diseases including medical aspects of liver transplantation. He conducted and created Novel Quadruple Therapy for Heliobactor Pylori and received the Most Esteemed Award from the American College of Gastroenerology in 2009. He conducted several studies in liver disease, particularly to prevent the progression of Hepatitis-C and Alcohol-related liver ailments. He has a special interest in studying Iron Overload Syndrome and the most prevalent entity of Fatty Liver Disease. He invented the endoscopically placed gastric balloon for morbid obesity. He has made a major contribution by inventing a clinical score (the TRAGEIC Score) for Acute Liver Failure, which is about to be launched in clinical trials in multiple university centers in the United States.

He presently is Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine Columbia University, New York Division Chief of Gastroenterology & GI Endoscopy, North Shore University Hospital at Forest Hills and Director of Liver Disease & Hepatology Fellowship, Kings County Medical Center



Dr. Usha Krishnan

Dr. Usha Krishnan spent her childhood in Mumbai and completed her MBBS from Seth G S Medical College and KEM Hospital, Mumbai. She did her Pediatrics training at BJ and NM Wadia Hospitals and KEM Hospitals and obtained her and MD (Pediatrics) from Bombay University and Dip NB Pediatrics from the National Board. She



went on to complete her DM in Cardiology from TN Medical College/ Nair Hospital, Mumbai. Subsequent to that she moved to the United States to complete her pediatrics residency at New York medical college and her pediatric cardiology fellowship at Columbia University. She then returned to India to head the Department of Pediatric Cardiology at the Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases and Madras Medical Mission in Chennai India. She set up the first Pediatric Cardiology fellowship program in India, training Indian and international fellows in Pediatric Cardiology in India and getting accreditation for Pediatric Cardiology with the National board of Education in New Delhi. She also co-founded the Pediatric Cardiology Society of India which is now into it's 19th year and just conducted the Annual Pediatric Cardiology and Surgery Conference, where she has been invited faculty each year. In 2001 Dr. Krishnan moved back to New York to take a faculty position at New York Medical College. She left there is 2010 to take a position at Columbia University in 2010 where she currently works. She is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics as well as Associate Medical Director of the Pulmonary Hypertension Center which is the

first accredited pediatric and adult Pulmonary Hypertension Center in the United States.

In addition to clinical responsibilities, she is actively involved in medical education at every level. She is closely involved with the Pediatric Cardiology fellowship at Columbia University and is the director of the fellowship clinical competency committee, which oversees fellow education and training. She is the director of medical student and resident education in Pediatric Cardiology and is closely involved with the "Foundations in Clinical Medicine" training at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and teaches medical students at each year of their training.

She is also actively involved in research, both in pulmonary hypertension and pediatric cardiology and is Pl/co-investigator in multiple clinical trials, both NIH sponsored and other grants. She has co-authored over 60 papers and has multiple invited lectures to her credit. She is actively involved in the pediatric pulmonary hypertension network and in multiple research activities of the network. She is involved in curriculum development for a pulmonary hypertension education series. She is involved in teaching e-learning courses for international fellows in Pediatric Cardiology through the Children's Heart Link. She is on the editorial board of several journals including the Annals of Pediatric Cardiology and the Advances in Pulmonary Hypertension, and is a reviewer for multiple other journals.

She has been nominated as Fellow of the American Heart Association and is also nominated to the Congenital Cardiac Lesions Committee of the Cardiology in the Young section of the AHA. She is also a member of the executive committee of the Pediatric Pulmonary Hypertension Network of North America.

She is the President Elect of the AAPI- Rockland Chapter and is very closely involved in the activities of AAPI in the region. She is also closely involved with the NY- Hudson Valley Chapter of Ekal Vidyalaya whose goals are to bring education to the Underserved Population in India. She is involved in multiple medical missions in India and other countries and works to improve the health of children with heart diseases all over the world.



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December 16, 2017

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to all members of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin of Queens and Long Island (AAPIQLI) as you gather for your annual gala and convention.

Our state and nation are fortunate to be home to a diverse population of medical professionals, including a skilled community of physicians of Indian ancestry dedicated to the well-being of our citizens and the advancement of public healthcare. This occasion provides an opportunity for AAPIQLI members to highlight their past achievements and to identify new goals for the future, as you explore topics of current interest and concern to those who study and work in various medical fields.

Your organization, founded by individuals affiliated through their shared culture and common professional goals, represents an accomplished sector of the medical community with a mission to serve humankind. As physicians of Indian heritage, your members are applauded for their work in which they demonstrate cultural sensitivity to the people of their community and provide exceptional care to those of all backgrounds in New York State and across America.

Warmest regards and best wishes for a wonderful celebration and meeting.

Sincerely,

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December 16, 2017

Dear Friends:

Congratulations to the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin of Queens & Long Island (AAPIQLI) on your 22nd annual convention. This annual event is attended by many leaders in the health care field, as well as representatives from local organizations, and their families.

The AAPIQLI chapter in New York City is the organization's largest chapter, with 750 members from a broad array of specialties, working in Queens, Nassau and Suffolk counties. The national organization counts among its membership more than 100,000 physicians and 20,000 residents and fellows. Your members are an integral part of New York's health care system. Through the years, your organization's charitable donations to groups in the United States and India have benefitted many people in need.

I would like to extend a special note of recognition to Abhay Malhotra, M.D., the convention chair, and Rakesh Dua, M.D., the president of AAPIQLI, as well as the many others who have worked to make this event a success.

Thank you for all you do to benefit the health of New Yorkers.

Sincerely,

Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D. Commissioner of Health



Congressman Thomas R. Suozzi



December 16, 2017

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Dear Friends:

Greetings to everyone gathered for the 22^{nd} Annual Convention and Gala of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin of Queens & Long Island, Inc. I am pleased to join you in recognizing the achievements of this year's honorees:

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Without the unwavering support and commitment of all of you, the tremendous achievements of AAPIQLI would not be possible. Please accept my wishes for a joyful celebration and much continued success.

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I'd also like to wish my warmest congratulations to tonight's honorees - Rep. Tom Suozzi, Dr. Mohinder P. Gupta, Dr. Davendra Mehta, Dr. P. Patrick Basu, and Dr. Usha S. Krishnan. You, and all the members of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin of Queens and Long Island, deserve Nassau's gratitude for your public service. I thank you and send my warmest wishes.

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I am delighted to congratulate the Queens and Long Island chapter of the largest ethnic medical organization in the U.S, American Association of Physician of Indian Origin (AAPI-QLI) on its 22nd Annual Convention celebrations on December 16th, 2017. It is wonderful to see the significant contributions Indian - American AAPI Physicians and healthcare professionals have made to healthcare in USA, not only practicing in inner cities, rural areas and peripheral communities, but also at the top medical schools and other academic centers.

India and US have developed a robust bilateral cooperation in the field of Health, Medical Sciences & Biotechnology. At present, this spans activities in various healthcare departments of both countries. There are vibrant mechanisms of cooperation in the biomedical and health sciences research. Development and launch of ROTOVAC vaccine is an outstanding example of successful cooperation between the two countries.

AAPI-QLI's contribution to the community has been significant and they have always come forth to offer their services to anyone who has called for help. On this occasion, I would like to wish the members of AAPI-QLI a successful year ahead and look forward to their continued support.

Sandeep Chakravorty

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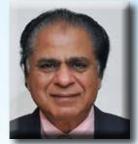
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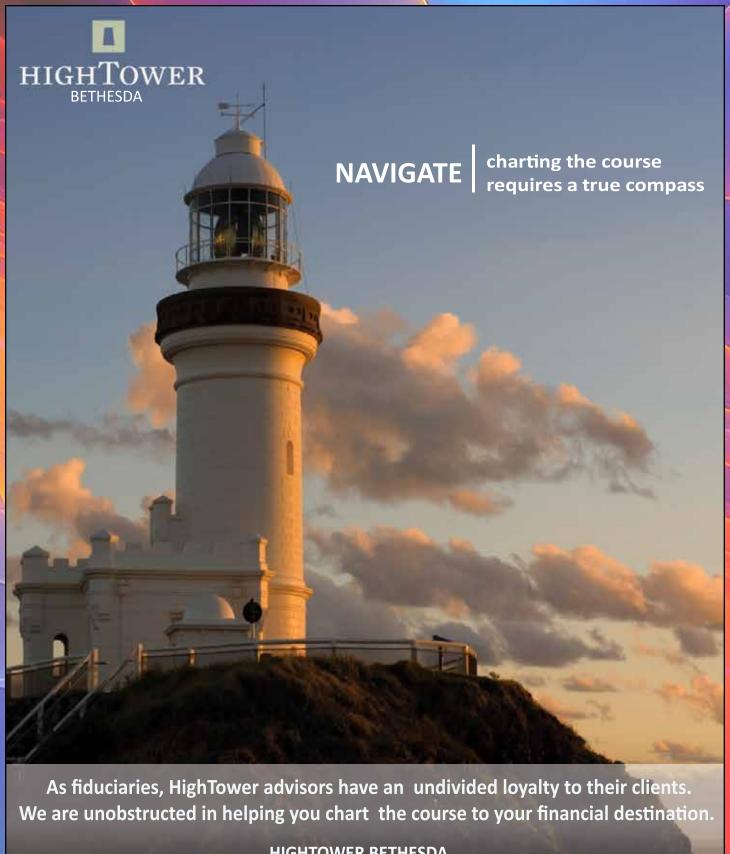










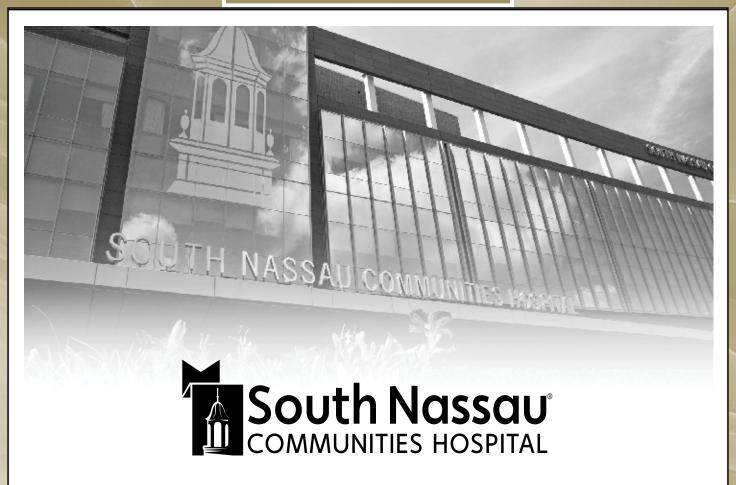


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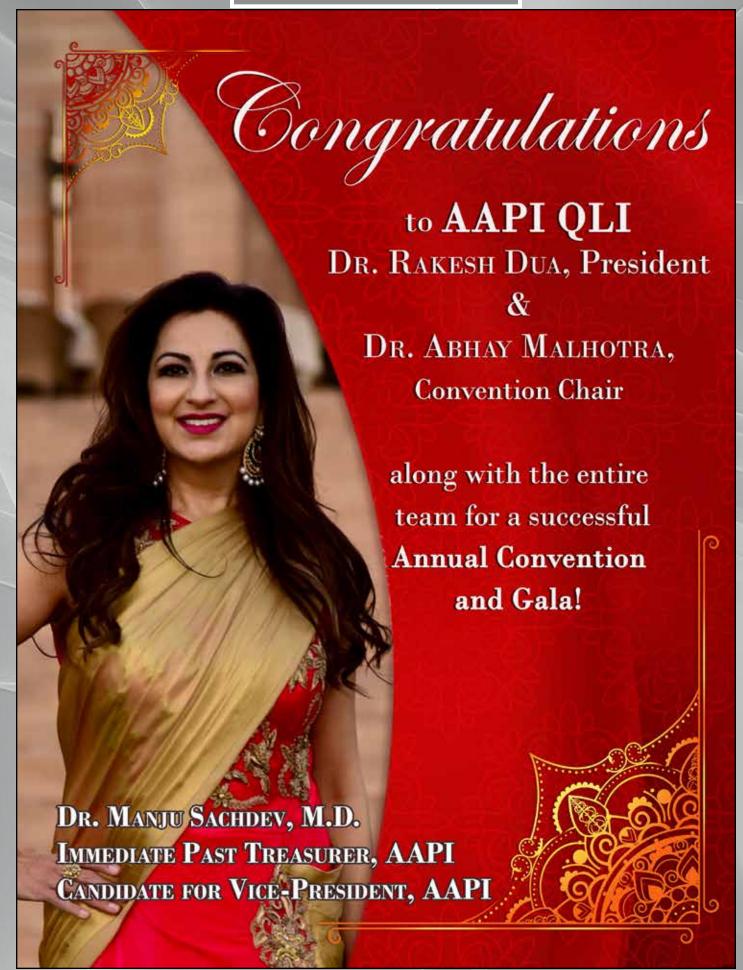








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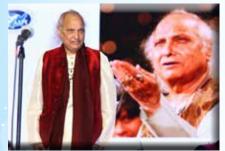
























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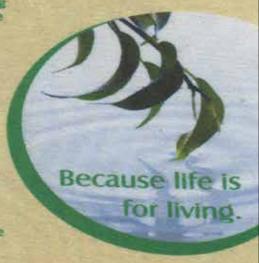
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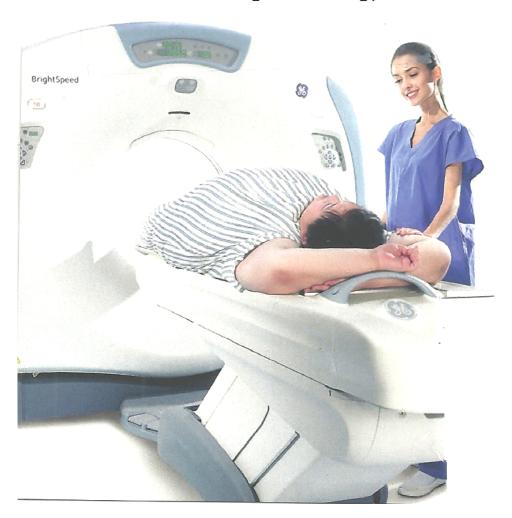
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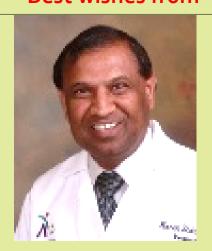
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This year's team was lead by our President Dr. Rakesh Dua and his chairperson for the gala, Dr. Abhay Malhotra who is well known for his hard work in order to bring successful end to the year. He has done a remarkable job this year again.

This year's honorees are well known in their respective fields and it is our honor to have them here today. Let's all celebrate their achievements.

I also want to thank the Organizing committee including Drs. Abhay Malhotra and others. The team effort is always required and brings excellent results. Congratulations to all the team members.

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