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SCAPA Announces 2026-2027 Board of Directors

CHARLESTON, SC– South Carolina Academy of PAs (SCAPA) is pleased to announce its Board of Directors for the 2026–2027 term. Board members were elected by SCAPA members and will serve from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

Jennifer Coker, MAPS, PA-C, begins her term as SCAPA President.

“I believe the strength of the PA profession lies in you, our membership, and I am passionate about fostering a renewed sense of pride, purpose, and connection among South Carolina PAs and PA students this year. My goal is to ensure that PAs have a strong voice in shaping healthcare policy, expanding access to high-quality patient care, and protecting the future of our profession.”

Joining President Coker on the 2026-2027 SCAPA Board are President-Elect Byron Mathis, Vice President Crystal Poole, Secretary Kirby Cranford Lee, Treasurer Ainsley Wingard, Assistant Treasurer Rita Brown and Past President Annette Cruz.

Regional representation will be provided by Area Representatives Brittaine Davis (Upstate), Amber Thompson (Lowcountry), Lisa Wilson (Grand Strand), Isaac Snapp (Pee Dee), and Rebekah Blankenship (Midlands).

Rita Brown will serve as House of Delegates Chief.

SCAPA extends its gratitude to all members who participated in the election and to those stepping into leadership roles to advance the profession and strengthen the PA community across South Carolina.

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About SCAPA: South Carolina Academy of PAs (SCAPA) is South Carolinas professional PA organization and functions as a volunteer association consisting of an Executive Director, Board of Directors, and various committees. Together with other members of the health care team, legislators and the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA), SCAPA is working to eliminate barriers to care and enhance existing healthcare delivery systems. SCAPA serves as the voice of the profession for South Carolina. Visit scapapartners.org to learn more.