



## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

At the Annual/Board meeting of the United States Bone and Joint Initiative, NFP, to take place June 2016 (date and location to be confirmed), elections will be held for various Board and two Officer positions. This Call for Nominations is issued earlier than has been customary in order to provide more time for interested parties to consider these opportunities to participate in providing strategic direction and govern the affairs of the USBJI, and for the USBJI Nominating Committee to review submissions and to interview candidates to ensure they are fully aware of and accept the duties and responsibilities if elected as members of the Board and Officers. A notice announcing the date and location of the annual meeting will be sent at a later date.

All [Participating Member](#) organizations are invited to submit nominations for:

- **Five (5) Members-At-Large of the Board representing USBJI Participating Member organizations**
  - To serve from June 2016 to June 2019
- **Two (2) Members-At-Large of the Board representing patients and the general public**
  - To serve from June 2016 to June 2019

All [Founding](#) and [Participating](#) Member organizations are invited to submit nominations for:

- The position of **President-Elect**, to serve as:
  - President-Elect – June 2016 to June 2017
  - President – June 2017 to June 2019
  - Immediate Past President – June 2019 to June 2020
- The expenses incurred by this position are covered by the USBJI.

All [Founding](#) and [Participating](#) Member organizations are invited to submit nominations for:

- The position of **Treasurer** to serve from June 2016 to June 2018  
At the time of election, the Treasurer must be a member of the Board (representative of a Founding Member, or elected Member-at-Large).

View Founding and Participating Member listings by clicking on the links above, or by visiting [www.usbji.org](http://www.usbji.org).

All candidates will be elected by the current USBJI Board members.

The Board meets at least twice a year in-person, and two times by teleconference. Sponsoring organizations are responsible for covering the costs of their representative (with the exception of the President-Elect position which is covered by the USBJI). A copy of Board Member roles and responsibilities is attached to this notice. Nominees must have read the attached document and understood the tenets of the Board roles and responsibilities before their names are submitted. A copy of the Bylaws which includes descriptions of the Officer positions is available by emailing [tobyking@usbji.org](mailto:tobyking@usbji.org).

Nominations should include an abbreviated biographical sketch, a letter of support from the sponsoring organization, a letter outlining the nominee's interest in serving and what they would like to accomplish, and a commitment to dedicate time to the position. Nominations should be submitted to the undersigned, c/o [usbji@usbji.org](mailto:usbji@usbji.org), **no later than February 29, 2016**.

Respectfully submitted,  
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## **U.S. Bone and Joint Initiative Board of Directors Director Responsibilities**

### **Preamble:**

Each Director brings to the Board varying degrees of expertise, interests, and obligations. However once appointed or elected to the Board of the U.S. Bone and Joint Initiative, in all matters relating to the activities of the Bone & Joint Initiative the individual Board Director must act in the best interests, fiduciary and otherwise, of the U.S. Bone and Joint Initiative.

### **General Responsibilities:**

1. Support the Vision, Mission, and Goals of the U.S. Bone & Joint Initiative
2. Participate in the governance of the Initiative and ongoing refinement of its Strategic Plan
3. Represent the Initiative in all appropriate venues
4. Participate actively in all scheduled Board Activities including attendance at all scheduled Board Meetings and Conference Calls
5. Readily accept assignment to appropriate Initiative Programs and Committees
6. Foster the exchange of knowledge and information within the Initiative Network
7. Participate in the dissemination of knowledge concerning bone and joint health to all populations

### **Responsibilities of Appointed Board Directors:**

1. Inform the officers and members of the appointing organization of the activities of the Initiative
2. Encourage the participation of all members of the organization in the activities of the Initiative
3. Represent the interests and concerns of the appointing organization to the Initiative
4. Encourage the appointing organization to initiate programs that will further the goals of both the organization and the Initiative

### **Responsibilities of Elected/Lay Member Board Directors:**

1. Represent the interests and concerns surrounding the bone and joint health of all citizens to the Initiative
2. Encourage participation in Initiative activities by all citizen groups within the general public
3. Assist in the dissemination of knowledge concerning bone and joint health to all populations

### **Expected Time Commitment**

The actual time commitment for each Board Member will vary based on committee assignments or other specific tasks. However in general the minimal annual time commitment would be to attend one 2-day and one 1-day Board Meeting and participate in quarterly Conference Calls.

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