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2022 Election GlobalSkin Board of Directors Candidate Profiles

Tran Hong Truong

Vietnam Psoriasis Association - PSORVIET



Why do you want to be elected to GlobalSkin's Board of Directors?

I have a passion for providing support to other dermatology patients like me. If I became an elected Board Director, I could help to advance the development of the organization and grow the GlobalSkin movement. I will contribute to setting strategic direction and providing oversight to improve the lives of those affected by dermatological conditions in my country, Western Pacific region and around the world through research, advocacy, and support.

What expertise and experience would you contribute to achieving GlobalSkin's mission in your role as a Board Director?

As a patient, I am going to share my own experiences of my life, my situation when I met psoriasis, when my disease was so bad, when I lost my job, etc.

As a leader of patients group, I am going to share our activities, our difficulties and our solidarities fighting disease, poverty, difficulty, hardship in seeking treatment, and especially against social stigma.

Cooperating with Dermatology Society, dermatology hospitals and dermatologists to bring to patients the right information, appropriate treatment options and belief in each person, each community in life, helping patients return to normal life.

Tran Hong Truong

Vietnam Psoriasis Association - PSORVIET



What are your three strongest skill areas?

Advocacy/Outreach

Education/Training

Communications/PR

Describe any experience you have in working with and/or on Boards of Directors.

Founding President of Vietnam Psoriasis Association (PSORVIET) since 2010. Starting with only about 50 people and 7 volunteers (three dermatologists and four psoriasis patients), after ten years, membership of PSORVIET has increased to 5000 and is connected in 11 provinces and cities. Main activities of PSORVIET is advocacy, sharing experiences from patients to patients, and education from doctors to patients. The PSORVIET has a program with National Hospital of Dermatology and Venereology to do livestream, video, radio podcast and different training courses, workshops and events to support dermatology patients.

What GlobalSkin events and initiatives have you participated in?

Over the years, since knowing about GlobalSkin, I have participated in the following:

- COVID-19 virtual townhalls
- Attendance at various GlobalSkin webinars and workshops
- Participating in the recruitment of patients for GRIDD
- GRIDD Patient Advisory Committee
- GlobalSkin Member Impact Fund awardee
- Recruitment of patient organizations from Vietnam in to GlobalSkin

Murray Turner

Psoriasis Australia



Why do you want to be elected to GlobalSkin's Board of Directors?

I would like to be elected to the Board of Global Skin to continue to drive the organisation forward and expand its operations further in the Western Pacific Region and to advance the development of all dermatological patient organisations throughout the world. At present there is not a representative from a Psoriasis patient organisation on the Board, and I would like to be the candidate that represents that group at the table and help to advance the development of patient groups in that disease area. I believe that I can bring a wealth of experience from my diverse educational and professional background that will make me a key member of the Board.

What expertise and experience would you contribute to achieving GlobalSkin's mission in your role as a Board Director?

As CEO of Psoriasis Australia, I am responsible for developing programs and services that will allow people to have healthy and fulfilling lives through patient education programs, advocacy to government and other key stakeholders. Being an Australian Lawyer, I bring legal and governance expertise and am someone with a strong interest in strategic planning and policy development. I am constantly dealing with pharmaceutical companies, government, medical and allied health professionals in Australia to advance not only Psoriasis Australia's mission, but also those of GlobalSkin and the International Federation of Psoriatic Disease Associations.

Murray Turner

Psoriasis Australia



What are your three strongest skill areas?

Legal

Governance

Government Relations/Political Acumen

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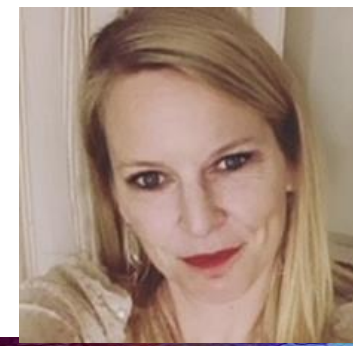
In my current role and previous professional roles, I have been required to report to a Board of Directors. I have been a delegate to an International Olympic Sporting Organisation and a delegate to the Australian Olympic Committee. In addition, I am a current member of the GlobalSkin Finance and Risk Management Committee and Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

What GlobalSkin events and initiatives have you participated in?

- 1) Current Member Finance and Risk Management Committee
- 2) Strategic Planning Steering Group Member
- 3) 2017 GlobalSkin Conference Presenter
- 4) 2019 GlobalSkin Conference Participant
- 5) Strategic Planning Workshop Presenter

Michelle Capon

Canadian Association for Porphyrria



Michelle has over 15 years of healthcare experience both here in Canada and overseas in the UK. She currently runs the Patient Support programs in Canada for GlaxoSmithKline but prior to joining GSK she worked for Bayshore Healthcare for nine years in multiple roles but most recently as Director of Operations, Patient Support Services.

Michelle brings extensive experience in successfully managing major projects for government, hospitals, and healthcare professionals and has extensive knowledge of IT systems. Michelle currently resides in Georgetown, Ontario with her two sons who are 14 and 8. Michelle has been a board member of the Canadian Association for Porphyrria for the past five years and is also an Erythropoietic protoporphyria patient diagnosed at age 10.



Marc Yale

International Pemphigus & Pemphigoid Foundation



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Marc Yale was diagnosed in 2007 with Pemphigoid, a rare autoimmune blistering skin disease. He experienced delays in diagnosis and difficulty finding a knowledgeable physician. Eventually, Marc lost the vision in his left eye from the disease. This inspired him to help others with the disease. In 2008, he joined the International Pemphigus and Pemphigoid Foundation (IPPF). He worked with people to improve their quality of life and encouraged them to become self-advocates.

In 2016, Marc became the Executive Director of the IPPF. He has recently become the Advocacy & Research Coordinator of the IPPF so that he can focus on research and advocate for all of those affected by pemphigus and pemphigoid. He sits on the Executive Board of Directors for The International Alliance for Dermatological Patient Organizations as their President. Last year, Marc joined Rare Disease International in the establishment of the WHO Collaborative Global Network for Rare Diseases Panel of Experts to ensure a lasting impact on the lives of people living with a rare disease around the globe.

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