

South Island Division of Family Practice

2025-2027 Board Director Nominees

Nominations for our Board of Directors were open to General members throughout August and are now closed for 2025.

We are pleased to share that the following six General members have been nominated for the South Island Division of Family Practice Board of Directors for the 2025–2027 term:

- Dr. Alex Kilpatrick
- Dr. Brianna Creelman
- Dr. Chantell Cleversey
- Dr. Irfan Rajani
- Dr. Laura Asplin
- Dr. Naweed Ahmed

As a General member, you now have the opportunity to help shape our Board of Directors by casting your vote. Learn more about the six nominees in the pages that follow.

Voting will be open **September 8–17, 2025**. You will receive a direct email with instructions on how to vote.

If you have any questions, please contact us at info@sidfp.com.

2025-2027 Board Nominee Candidate – Dr. Alex Kilpatrick



Dr. Alexander Kilpatrick is a dedicated family physician and healthcare leader serving as Co-Chair of the South Island Division of Family Practice since October 2023. A strong advocate for system transformation, he was motivated to join the Board to advance meaningful change, building on the foundational work that brought the Longitudinal Family Physician (LFP) payment model to fruition. In this role, Dr. Kilpatrick has worked to strengthen the Division's advocacy and strategic planning efforts, helping shift stakeholder perceptions and pushing for policies that better support family doctors and patients alike.

Dr. Kilpatrick's leadership includes guiding the Division through the creation of a 3–5-year strategic plan, welcoming a new Executive Director, and fostering a culture of values-driven collaboration. He is committed to tackling systemic challenges head-on, aligning partners, and streamlining processes to create tangible improvements in primary care.

In addition to his leadership role, Dr. Kilpatrick is a longitudinal family physician, rural emergency physician, and family practice obstetrician. He is also a clinical researcher, Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) provider, and UBC clinical faculty member.

Dr. Kilpatrick completed his medical degree at the American University of Antigua and his residency at UBC. He is a proud father of three energetic boys and brings the same dedication, curiosity, and resilience he demonstrates at home to his work in medicine and healthcare leadership.

2025-2027 Board Nominee Candidate – Dr. Brianna Creelman



Hello there! My name is Brianna Creelman (she/her) and I am a new-to-practice family physician on the traditional territory of the lək̓ʷ əŋən (Lekwungen) and WSÁNEĆ (Saanich) people, also known as Victoria, BC. I graduated from the Indigenous Family Medicine Program at the University of British Columbia and am continuing to work in various clinics across the South Island, with a focus on reducing barriers to care. My passions in medicine are Indigenous health, gender affirming care, reproductive and sexual health, and addictions medicine.

I spent the last two years on the South Island Division of Family Practice (SIDFP) Board as the resident representative. I am hoping to continue my role on the board as a regular Director. My unique perspective as a queer, cis-gendered woman, as well as my medical training with underserved populations, has brought valuable contributions to the Board. Diversity has been an identified gap on the current Board, and through my advocacy for the populations I work with, I can help fill this need.

When not at work, I can be found keeping active at my local CrossFit gym, exploring the outdoors with my partner, and searching for the best pastries in town.

I am very excited to continue to work in the South Island and look forward to contributing to our medical community in a meaningful way. Thank you for considering my nomination for re-election to the SIDFP Board of Directors.

2025-2027 Board Nominee Candidate – Dr. Chantell Cleversey



Chantell is a family doctor; she completed her medical training in British Columbia with the University of British Columbia's (UBC) medical school and UBC's Indigenous Family Medicine Residency program. Her training has taken her to many places in BC, but her predominant location of training has been in Victoria.

Prior to coming to BC, Chantell was in Nova Scotia (NS) completing her Bachelor of Science in Chemistry at Dalhousie University. She was born and raised on the south shore region of NS and although it is a beautiful place, she has chosen to settle down with her family here in BC.

Chantell has two young children, two energetic dogs, and enjoys nearly any form of physical activity and being outdoors. She loves learning whether it's for her patients or her own personal endeavors.

Chantell enjoys providing care that is truly individualized and delivered from the perspective of lifestyle medicine. She strongly believes in informed care and shared decision-making. She encourages her patients to advocate for themselves and take leadership in their health.

2025-2027 Board Nominee Candidate – Dr. Irfan Rajani

Dr. Irfan Rajani is an Esquimalt-based family physician whose diverse clinical practice spans psychiatric hospitalist services, occupational medicine, sexual health, and geriatrics. His commitment to meeting community needs wherever gaps exist drives his approach to comprehensive primary care.

With unique dual training in pharmacy and medicine, Dr. Rajani brings critical perspectives on medication management, system inefficiencies, and interprofessional collaboration. Currently serving on DoBC's Representative Assembly advocating for early career physicians and primary care reform, consulting for Ministry of Health's Technology Assessment Committee, and starting his HQBC Fellowship this September to tackle health misinformation affecting HPV vaccine uptake. This breadth – from frontline clinical work to provincial policy tables – ensures he understands both daily physician realities and mechanisms for meaningful change.

During his time on VDFP's Board (2019-2024), Dr. Rajani served as PCN Lead supporting clinical pharmacy integration into primary care teams. He co-developed the "All My Relations" patient complexity framework with Dr. Kate Elliot through FNHA, creating culturally safe approaches for marginalized populations. His commitment to reducing barriers extends to work on DoBC's digital referral transformation and Special Authority burden reduction initiatives.

A passionate advocate for innovation, Dr. Rajani merges technology with clinical practice, developing automation tools to reduce administrative workload. When not coding or caring for patients, he's rucking local trails or rediscovering photography capturing BC's stunning landscapes. His kittens, Oreo and Salem, remind him that joy comes in unexpected forms.

Dr. Rajani seeks to bring fresh perspectives, technological expertise, and collaborative energy to SIDFP's mission of strengthening family medicine across the South Island.

2025-2027 Board Nominee Candidate – Dr. Laura Asplin



I am a dedicated family physician with over a decade of clinical experience and a deep commitment to advancing primary care in British Columbia. In 2021, I co-founded a new family medicine clinic alongside two physician colleagues. Together, we have built a thriving practice that has successfully recruited and supported two family physicians, with two more set to join soon. I continue to co-manage the clinic, helping shape an efficient, sustainable, and supportive environment for both patients and providers.

My leadership extends beyond the clinic. I served on the Westshore Primary Care Network Physician Leadership Committee from 2020-2021, and recently joined the South Island Primary Care Network Steering Committee as the family physician representative. I also represent BC Family Doctors on the Doctors of BC Representative Assembly, giving me insight into broader system challenges and opportunities across the province.

Driven by a passion for improving family medicine, I co-created the Facebook group BC Family Doctors for Reform, which serves as a platform for physician collaboration and advocacy. This initiative led to the formation of the BC Family Doctor Action Group, a grassroots collective of over 20 physicians working with patient advocates to engage directly with government leaders and advance meaningful changes in family medicine.

As a board member, I aim to bring my experience in clinic operations, physician recruitment, grassroots advocacy and health system engagement to support initiatives that improve patient care, access, and physician wellness across the South Island.

2025-2027 Board Nominee Candidate – Dr. Naweed Ahmed



Dr. Naweed Ahmed is a family physician based in Victoria, B.C., currently practicing at Eagle Creek Medical Clinic where he serves a panel of over 1,200 patients. He is also a clinical instructor with the Department of Family Medicine, mentoring residents and medical students. With a diverse background spanning mental health and complex care, Dr. Ahmed has held roles in advisory research projects related to mental health, geriatric care, and refugee health policy.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences from Brock University, a Doctor of Medicine from Medical University of the Americas, and a Masters in Aging and Health from Queens University. His academic contributions include multiple peer-reviewed publications and presentations at national conferences.

Dr. Ahmed is passionate about health system design, equity, and improving access to care. He has been actively involved in quality improvement projects. Beyond medicine, he fosters animals through the Humane Society, embodying a personal commitment to care, compassion, and community.

He looks forward to the opportunity to bring his clinical, academic, and governance experience to the SIDFP board and contribute to shaping a responsive and sustainable future of family physicians in British Columbia.