



## COLLEGE of AMERICAN PATHOLOGISTS

### Candidate Information

**Candidate:** Aaron C. Han, MD, PhD, FCAP

**Institution:** Loyola University Medical Center (commencing July 2025)  
Maywood, Illinois

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

- **Age Group:** 56-65
- **Years in Practice:** 35 years
- **Boards:** AP, CP, Hematology
- **Education:**
  - Received MD, 1983-1990, Baylor College of Medicine
  - Received PhD, 1983-1990, Baylor College of Medicine
  - Residency: Hahnemann University Hospital (now Drexel), 1991-1993, AP/CP
  - Fellowship: Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Hemepath
- **Employment Status:** Full Time
- **Practice Type:** Academic
- **Practice Size:** 16-20 pathologists

### CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- **Position:** Professor of Pathology, Loyola University Medical Center



### PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

- College of American Pathologists (CAP)
- Emirates Pathology Society
- Association for Diagnostics and Laboratory Medicine (ADLM, formerly AACC)
- International Gynecologic Cancer Society
- Asian Society for Digital Pathology (ASDP)
- American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP)

### CAP ACTIVITIES

#### CURRENT

- **Member:** International Accreditation Committee, Quality Practices Committee
- **Commissioner:** LAP Commissioner – State/International

#### PAST

- **Member:** Point of Care Testing Committee
- **Award:** CAP Lifetime Achievement Award, CAP23



### SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL HONORS OR AWARDS

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- CAP Lifetime Achievement Award, 2024
- Pathologist of the Year. Emirates Pathology Society, 2021

### NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

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#### Why do you want to be a governor or officer of the CAP?

I am passionate about the mission of CAP, the community of pathologists it represents, and the products services offered. I have interacted with CAP Presidents and Governors, primarily through international education and marketing activities. I have seen the commitment required and am ready to take the next step in my involvement in the CAP. I want to give back to the CAP as a governor and encourage engagement and empowering members and younger fellows. I have a wonderful pathology career largely due to my CAP involvement and want to see others enjoy the same professional satisfaction.

I spent 20 years in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), starting my practice in the only CAP lab in 2005. With the strong support of staff in marketing, and regular involvement of CAP Presidents and Governors in educational activities, we grew from one to over 80 accredited labs and more than 500 trained local inspectors. I have the privilege to serve as the first Deputy International LAP Commissioner for the UAE.

#### What is the strongest contribution you have made or could make as part of the CAP Board of Governors?

My current involvement is primarily in the international arena, accreditation and education. I have also been active in CSA committees and contributed to projects in Point-of-Care (POC) and Quality Practices, and I am currently Senior Editor for the Test

Ordering Program (TOP). I can contribute as CAP continues to grow the accreditation program globally. I am aware of the risks and rewards of international expansion.

My practice settings have been diverse: USA and international, small and large, community and academic. I understand the challenges faced by our diverse constituents. One of my current practice areas is digital pathology and artificial intelligence (AI). There will be an ongoing need to resource pathologists with training and tools to onboard these new technologies.

#### What major issues do you see facing the CAP during the next three years?

Technology and innovation, AI will impact and affect our practices. Regulatory and reimbursement issues will affect how our professional contributions are recognized and properly compensated. Pathologists look to the CAP for a strong unified voice in representing individual members and providing the tools and education to meet the challenges ahead.

#### If elected, what do you hope to accomplish?

Build on the energy and wisdom of the leadership to advance our profession and specialty, our domestic and international programs. Foster growth in the accreditation program, the adoption of CAP products, and development of lab inspectors. Consider opportunities to catalyze synergies between different CAP Committees and Councils.