

Shuchi Anand



Short Bio/CV

My research focus lies at the intersection of global health and nephrology. I believe deeply in Paul Farmer's statement that "The idea that some lives matter less is the root of all that is wrong with the world." As a first generation immigrant, I strive to apply the same rigor and depth I apply to the patients I see in my clinic at Stanford, to my clinical work and research initiatives abroad.

After completing my medical school at Washington University in St. Louis, internal medicine residency at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and nephrology fellowship and Masters in Clinical Epidemiology at Stanford University, I received a K-23 to study chronic kidney disease in South Asians. In partnership with the Public Health Foundation of India, I studied prevalence, risks factors, and outcomes of CKD in urban India, and identified strategies for screening. I served as an Editor for the World Bank's Disease Control Priorities initiative on rational and cost-effective health care policies for resource-constrained settings. I am investigating the chronic kidney disease of uncertain etiology epidemic occurring in agricultural communities worldwide, a research focus for which I have worked with the ISN to launch collaborative initiatives. I am the Nephrology Rotation Director for Stanford; three nephrology fellows I work with have successfully received grants to pursue projects in global health and international settings.

Candidate's Statement

In line with my research interests and career goals, if elected as Deputy Chair, I would like to work with the ISN North American and Caribbean Regional Board to:

- 1) Engage fellows and young faculty working across North America, who are interested in developing clinical and research partnerships globally. We conducted a short survey via the Board, in which we demonstrated clear and growing interest in global health programming among trainees. I would like to circle back to interested trainees and form a social group that allows engagement with each other and with ISN, to share available resources that can nurture their interests.
- 2) Integrate the Board within ongoing research initiatives at ISN, including the ACT (Clinical Trials), iNET (CKD cohort studies), and Educational Academy, to tap into the Board's expertise and increase our engagement.
- 3) Focus on pandemic preparedness by creating a platform for Board members especially Caribbean member institutions to share their experiences, with specific attention on supporting trainees and our Allied Health partners who are dealing with daily exposures and uncertainty.