CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Student Initiative Vice-Chair & Student Representative to the Board of Directors Elect

Due Monday, November 30th

WPATH is looking for a student Vice-Chair and Student Representative to the Board of Directors Elect. This elected position spans approximately 2 years, running from January 4, 2021, through the 2021 WPATH business meeting as the Vice-Chair and then assuming the Chair role for the following year until the WPATH 27th annual symposium in 2022.

The Vice-Chair will spend the first year of their time working with the current Chair of the WSI. After the WPATH business meeting in 2021, a new Vice-Chair will be announced, and the current Vice-Chair will take on the role of Chair and Student Representative to the Board of Directors.

This new structure was adopted so as to ensure that at least two students will always be working together, providing the newly elected representative time to learn the role and responsibilities from the senior student representative—allowing for a smoother transition between someone who has already acquired some experience, and someone more novice. Every year an election will be held for a new student to fill the role of “Vice-Chair & Student Representative to the BOD Elect.”

A successful student candidate should have a strong work ethic, be willing to devote a substantial amount of time to WPATH business on an ongoing basis (approximately 2 hours per week), and have the capacity to respond quickly to WPATH business. Candidates must commit to personally attend annual meetings at various national and international locations and participate in regular teleconference meetings (bi-monthly and scheduled as needed). Ideal candidates are people who are deeply committed to the WPATH Mission and Vision and enthusiastic about working cooperatively with other Board members to strengthen the Association.

Eligibility:

- Candidates are required to be a current student member of WPATH.
- Candidates are required to be enrolled at the time of application currently. We define “student” by the same standards that WPATH does; hence if you are a student member of WPATH, you are eligible for this role.
- Ideally, candidates will be a student for the entirety of their term (2 years); however, we recognize that different countries have different educational calendars that may impact this. Please address this in your personal statement.
The newly elected Vice WSI Chair & Student Representative-Elect will take office in early January 2021.

If you are interested in the position of “**WPATH Student Initiative Vice-Chair & Student Representative to the BOD Elect**,” please submit your CV and a 1-page personal statement regarding your qualifications, skills, and interest to the Student Initiative by November 30th.

**E-mail:** WPATHstudents@WPATH.org  
**Subject:** WPATH Student Representative Nomination  
**Include:** Your Name  
Contact Information, including phone and email address

*Applications without a personal statement and CV will NOT be accepted.*

Following November 30th, candidate information (including your submitted personal statement) will be provided to WPATH student members via an election poll provided you meet the eligibility criteria. The election will span 2 weeks, after which the successful candidate will be announced.

If you have any questions about this process or the role, please email Jared at jboot@msp.edu

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**Penelope Strauss, MPH**  
Chair of the WPATH Student Initiative  
Student Representative to the WPATH Board of Directors

**Jared Boot, MA**  
Vice-Chair of the WPATH Student Initiative  
Student Representative-Elect to the WPATH Board of Directors