

Dear Indiana State Medical Association Members,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to introduce myself as a candidate for the position of American Medical Association (AMA) Alternate Delegate. My name is **Tashera Perry**, and I am seeking your support in this election because I am **Committed to Care, Dedicated to Change**.

My dedication to advocacy and professional engagement is both broad and deep. As a graduate of a prestigious legislative affairs fellowship with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), I participated in annual lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill since 2014, advocating directly to state leaders for policies that benefit our profession and the patients we serve. At home, I have had the honor of representing my colleagues and patients as a delegate to the ISMA from Monroe and Owen Counties for at least five of the last seven years. I have been an active participant on House of Delegates Reference Committees and the Constitution & Bylaws Committees, contributing to discussions that shape our policies and priorities. Collectively, these experiences have afforded me valuable insights into the complexities of healthcare policy and the significant, positive impact of our collective physician advocacy.

I am a strong voice for physicians. During residency, I represented OB/GYN trainees across five states and two provinces to the ACOG Junior Fellow Congress Advisory Council. Since joining Indiana University Health in 2015, my role as a leader in clinical informatics has been consistent and impactful. Notably, as an Associate Chief Medical Information Officer, I was part of a leadership team working to enhance the quality and usability of our electronic health record system. I continue to champion the clinical interests of OB/GYNs as our regional representative to Clinical Effectiveness Council, and as of June 2024, I proudly serve as IU Health's first representative to the AMA Integrated Physician Practice Section.

As your AMA Alternate Delegate, I will continue to be an unwavering advocate for our patients, addressing critical challenges such as maternity care deserts, health outcome disparities, rural hospital closures, and the bureaucratic burden of prior authorizations. These are not merely regional concerns; they are state-wide issues that significantly affect patient outcomes and our capacity to deliver care effectively.

As your AMA Alternate Delegate, I will bring both a fresh perspective and a proven track record of engagement and advocacy. Together with the AMA, our delegation will strive to create a landscape where care is accessible, resources are managed effectively, and the needs of patients and their physicians remain the priority in healthcare administration. **Vote Tashera Perry for AMA Alternate Delegate — Committed to Care, Dedicated to Change.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tashera Perry', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.