

Dr. Patricia Nunley's Candidacy Statement
for
Western Regional Representative

It is with great pleasure and anticipated opportunity to serve at a national level that I seek the opportunity to become the next Western Region Representative. During my tenure I have had the good fortune to experience our ABPsi Family in multiple contexts that have provided me with a unique insight to an organization that began as a "response" and continues to evolve as a "critical resource". My time as a student member allowed me to bear witness to and experience student-related concerns. My move into a professional and early career member created a different comprehension and desired organizational benefits.

These lived experiences, combined with active participation in the Bay Area Chapter as a training ground, has prepared me to effectively serve in this role and continue the legacy collectively established by the Western Region chapters. I will not only be the communication bridge between our Region and our National Board but also between each of our individual chapters. I look forward to visiting our regional chapters, learning about their specific interest, and discovering ways in which I can serve in strengthening each of our chapters individually and as a region.

As a 50-year-old organization we have grown to become a diverse, intergenerational, international collective of students and professionals that is perhaps one of the best kept secrets about African genius. The time has come for us to "out ourselves" as an eclectic group of Healers who know what is best for our people. I am excited about the opportunity to engage each of you in making our region's voices known in this much needed endeavor.

Truly, we are the solution, that we prepared for, are preparing for, and will continues to prepare for