

Jonathan E. Sobel, DMSc, MBA, PA-C, DFAAPA, FAPACVS President and Chair of the Board



Jonathan Sobel is the President and Chair of the Board of Directors of AAPA. He is the Senior Administrative Director II of Advanced Clinical Providers at North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset, New York where he provides operational and strategic leadership to multiple teams of nurse practitioners and PAs. In his current position, Sobel works to ensure recognition of the value PAs bring to the healthcare landscape.

Sobel holds a Bachelor of Science in PA Studies from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, a Master of Business Administration from Hofstra University's Zarb School of Business, and a Doctor of Medical Science degree from the University of Lynchburg.

A member of AAPA for nearly 30 years, Sobel has served in a variety of leadership positions within AAPA and the Association of PAs in Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery (APACVS), where he is a fellow member and past president. He is also an active member of the New York State Society of PAs (NYSSPA) and the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

Sobel was first elected to AAPA's Board of Directors in 2015, as Secretary-Treasurer. During this time, he represented the board on AAPA's Commission on the Health of the Public and served as chair of AAPA's Finance & Audit Committees. In 2017 he was elected AAPA's President-elect and appointed to AAPA's Government Relations and Practice Advancement Commission. He also served on the Board's Executive, Finance, Executive Compensation and Internal Affairs Committees.

Sobel began his career as a cardiothoracic surgery PA, caring for pediatric open-heart surgery patients as a member of the highly-skilled teams of surgeons, cardiologists, PAs and nurses at Cohen Children's Medical Center. He moved to several adult CT Surgery positions where he helped to advance new techniques in conduit harvesting. In 2002, he joined the CT surgery team at LIJ Medical Center where he led innovations in care, quality improvement and patient experience as the Supervising PA. He received leadership training through Northwell's Center for Learning and Innovation and completed his MBA in Quality Management through the Northwell-Hofstra University partnership.

He is an assistant clinical professor at Pace University-Lenox Hill Hospital and enjoys his weekly meetings mentoring PA students.

Sobel lives in Long Island, NY with his wife, Lisa and their three children. He is an avid boater and board member of the Freeport Yacht Club and a member of the Rockville Centre Fire Department.