

Adrian Dan - ASMBS Board of Directors – Nominee Vision Statement 2025

The American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery has been a guiding force in advancing the treatment of obesity, transforming countless lives through the dedication of its members. Today, we stand at a crossroads. The landscape of our specialty is evolving rapidly—new treatments, shifting policies, and a strained healthcare system present unprecedented challenge. Yet, I firmly believe that within these challenges lie our greatest opportunities.

Our strength as a society has always been in our unity. Together, we have developed guidelines, confronted stigma, expanded access to care, and reshaped public understanding of obesity as a disease. Now more than ever, we must harness this collective power to ensure the future of our field. If given the privilege to serve on the ASMBS Board of Directors, I will bring not only my experience from numerous ASMBS endeavors (program, advocacy and educational projects), but my unwavering energy and commitment to support the success of our members. I will work tirelessly to help surgeons navigate in this new era to ensure that our profession remains at the forefront of obesity treatment.

I am deeply honored by this nomination and approach it with humility and a profound sense of duty. The ASMBS has been instrumental in shaping my career, and I am eager to give back by serving its mission. Together, we can push forward, adapt, and emerge stronger, ensuring that our society thrives in the face of change. *I ask for your support, not just for me, but for our shared vision of a future where metabolic and bariatric surgery remains an essential, accessible, and transformative solution for those in need.*

Adrian Dan -Biography 2025

Dr. Dan is a dedicated bariatric surgeon in Akron, OH, with a passion for advancing the field. A graduate of Northeast Ohio Medical University, he completed surgical training at Michigan State University before pursuing an Advanced Laparoscopic and Bariatric Surgery fellowship at the Cleveland Clinic in 2006. He currently serves as program director of the Advanced GI-MIS, Bariatric and Foregut Surgery Fellowship, medical co-director of the Weight Management Institute, and president of the medical staff at Summa Health System.

Deeply committed to education and research, Dr. Dan has authored numerous book chapters and peer-reviewed articles and was editor of the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery edition of *Surgical Clinics of North America* in 2016. He is in the process for promotion to Professor of Surgery at Northeast Ohio Medical University in 2025. Dr. Dan has held leadership roles within ASMBS, including past president of the Ohio-Kentucky Chapter, ASMBS representative to the Fellowship Council Accreditation committee, past chair of the ASMBS Bariatric Surgery Training committee and incoming chair of the ASMBS Program committee.