

Meet the BUMG Board of Trustees: Manju Subramanian, MD, Ophthalmology



What drew you to serve as a trustee on the BUMG Board?

For the past 15 years, I have served in leadership roles within the Department of Ophthalmology. During that time, I have had the opportunity to interact with members of other Administrative Departments, such as those in finance, strategy and human resources, as well as leaders in other Clinical Departments. I've also served on several committees within BUMG. This experience has given me a valuable systems-based perspective of both BUMG and BMC. I applied to serve on the BUMG Board of Trustees when an opening became available because I wanted to continue to contribute as a representative of BUMG faculty.

What do you enjoy most about serving on the board?

I enjoy interacting with the other board members. Everyone wants to serve in any way they can, and each person brings a fresh perspective. It is clear that everyone on the Board care deeply about our BUMG and BMC.

If there's one thing, as a board member, you'd want to communicate with BUMG clinicians, what would that be?

I would encourage all the faculty to be vocal about their concerns and offer constructive feedback; and if they can offer thoughtful proposals on potential solutions, that's even better. I think many faculty believe that they do not have the power to effect change when they do.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing BMC and BUMG?

I think provider burn-out is a real concern both at BUMG and nationwide, and I worry this may lead to a provider shortage. We need to get ahead of this with proactive and creative solutions that can promote engagement and retention

What is an interesting fact about you that no one would guess?

I played Division 1 College Tennis

Do you enjoy reading books? If so, what have you read lately that you enjoyed?

I'm currently reading "Covenant of Water" by Abraham Varghese. Other recent books: "Personal Librarian" and "The Vanderbilts"

What are you watching on Netflix?

Spy Most recently, the "Perfect Couple"

Do you have any hobbies?

I enjoy cooking and also going out to eat.