



**CITY & BOROUGH OF SITKA**  
**BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPLICATION**

Municipal Clerk's Office, 100 Lincoln Street, Floor 3  
Phone: 907.747.1826 Fax: 907.747.7403 Email: [clerk@cityofsitka.org](mailto:clerk@cityofsitka.org)

**Submit this completed application AND either a letter of interest or resume to the Municipal Clerk's Office by noon on the Wednesday prior to an advertised Assembly meeting.**

Board/Commission/Committee Applying For: Human Needs and Health Commission (HNHC)

Name: Paul Bahna MD Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Length of Residence in Sitka: 11 years Registered to vote in Sitka? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Employer Business Name and your position: UAS - Adjunct professor of Biology

Organizations you belong to or participate in: Sitka School District - Substitute T.

American Medical Technologists (AMT) child service - visit Supervisor

Christian Medical & Dental Association (CMDA)

Explain your main reason for applying:

Becoming actively involved in Health-Commission towards making a difference in health needs of Community of Sitka

What experience or credentials will you bring to the board, commission, or committee membership?

① My credentials, experience as a medical doctor and Biology Professor

② My previous participation in Health Commission, Hospital Board

Appointments are typically made during Assembly meeting open sessions. However, Assembly members may vote to discuss applicant(s) in closed executive session. In this case, do you wish to be present when your application is discussed? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your appointment must be disclosed. These may include, but are not limited to, a substantial financial interest of \$1000 annually that could be influenced by your appointment, or an immediate family member employed within the scope of this appointment. Do you have any potential conflicts of interest to disclose? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain:

*I understand this is a volunteer position appointed by the City and Borough of Sitka Assembly and requires regular meeting attendance. I further understand this application is public information and the merits of my appointment may be discussed at a public forum. In addition, my name may be published in media outlets. If I am appointed to serve, I will follow all laws, procedures, and practices associated with my appointment.*

*I certify that the information in my application is true and accurate.*

Date: 11/21/2023 Applicant Signature:

Paul Bahna

## **Paul Bahna, MD, DPH**

Associate Professor of Biology

### **OBJECTIVE**

Establishing a strong position/career as a Lecturer of Health Sciences in an environment where technological growth potential, interest in applying Healthcare knowledge and community services are valued at a premium.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

An international Physician with exceptional and varied positions as follows: Health Care Officer, Family Medicine Practitioner, Medical Project Coordinator, Medical Consultant, Clinical Research Coordinator, Postdoctoral Fellow, Researcher, Medical Director& Instructor of Medical Sciences, Chair of Medical Assisting, and most recently a Professor of Biology.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

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| Assistant Professor of Biology   | 11/2012- 7/2021  |
| University of Alaska Southeast- Sitka campus, AK   |                  |
| Provided online as well as on campus classes in Anatomy& Physiology, Microbiology, Science of Nutrition, and Pathophysiology and Pharmacology to variety of college students who are seeking general education requirements (GER), basic academic knowledge/courses as pre-requisites for nursing and medical/Health care/ Health information management programs/certification. Also, developed and taught curriculum for Fundamentals of Anatomy& physiology course for Medical Assisting& HIM programs. |                  |
| • Instructor; Online pre-recorded Healthful Living Education course,   | 03/2012- 11/2012 |
| Recorded 30 sessions to be taught to international children.   |                  |
| Lumina Academy, Wilmington, NC   |                  |
| • Instructor; Human Resources Development Courses  | 02/2012- 10/2012 |
| Cape Fear Community College, Wilmington, NC,   |                  |
| Taught a condensed course of Anatomy& Physiology to pre-college students   |                  |
| • Instructor& Medical Assisting Program director   | 07/2008-12/2011  |
| Miller-Motte Technical College, Wilmington, NC,  |                  |

Worked as an Instructor of Medical Sciences and was appointed as the program Chair in 01/19/2011. Among classes taught were Med. Terminology, Anatomy& Physiology, Pathology, Pharmacology, Medical Laboratory, Medical Procedures, Emergency Procedures, Medical Insurance, Medical Office systems, Medical Law& Ethics and Phlebotomy. Also supervised externship program and other administrative duties as needed.

## CLINICAL AND ACADEMIC RESEARCH:

- Clinical Data Associate II 02/2007 – 03/2008  
PPD; Wilmington, North Carolina  
~ Performed advanced aspects of the data cleaning process, with a high degree of accuracy and in accordance with GCPs and SOPs/WPDs. Data Listing reviews, and reconciliation of Serious Adverse Events and Third Party Vendor data.  
Completed Clinical Modules necessary for CRA position.
- Clinical Research Coordinator 11/2005 – 01/2007  
Global Clinical Trial Link, LLC; Birmingham, Alabama  
~ Coordinated four Clinical studies, enrolled qualified Subjects, submitted essential documents for IRB approval, reported SAEs, and Recruited Investigators.
- Postdoctoral Fellow & Researcher 06/2003 – 08/2005  
Infectious Disease Department, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center; Houston, Texas  
~ Engaged in In-vitro studies of antiseptic coated device against different organisms; retrospective studies data collection and entry including animal studies. Also participated in grand rounds, core curriculum, seminars and conferences; and reviewed articles and abstracts in a highly academic research environment.

## CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- Medical Director 1996 - 1997  
Sadat City Medical Center; Sadat City, Egypt  
~ **Managed** a multi-specialty clinic including Family Practice, Pediatrics, Gynecology and Obstetrics and Surgery. Treated emergency cases, performed emergency surgery on patients with traumatic injuries and treated outpatients on daily basis.
- Medical Consultant 1993 - 1996  
Community Health Program; Kano, Nigeria  
~ **Conducted** outreach program, supervising medical services in 15 clinics located in Kano and Jigawa States. Supervised Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) for those clinics.
  - \* Conducted primary health seminars for local health workers.
  - \* Directed U.S. AID project to improve health services and equip clinics operated by the ECWA Community Health Program.
  - \* Performed outpatient surgery, prenatal and postnatal care including deliveries.

## EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Fellowship, June 2003 – August 2005  
Infectious Diseases Department, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, University of Texas.

United States Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE) Certificate: June 2001 (MD degree).

USA Medical Assistant Certificate: June 2000.

Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health and Community Medicine (sponsored by World Health Organization), April 1990  
School of Medicine, Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt

MB.BCh (MD equivalent), December 1982  
School of Medicine, Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt

### **LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS**

- Quality Matters- Independent Improving your Online Course (July, 2019)
- Human Biomedical Research- CITI program- (March 2018).
- Human Social& Behavioral Research- CITI program- (March 2018).
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Executive Leadership workshop (September through November 2016)
- Applying Quality Matters Rubric workshop (Peer Review certificate) (November 2014)
- Academic Leadership Seminar- UAS- Juneau (10/2014-2/2015)
- United States Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE) Certificate: June 2001(MD certification)
- Certified Allied Health Instructor: since March 2011(AMT)
- USA Medical Assistant Certificate: since June 2000.
- Certified BLS Instructor (AHA) (To be renewed)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Antiseptic effect of a novel alcohol-free mouthwash for cancer patients. (First Author) 2004
- Risk factors in MRSA surgical site infections. (Second Author); 2004
- Sources and Outcomes of Bloodstream Infections (BSI) in Cancer Patients: The Role of Quantitative Blood Cultures and the Central Venous Catheter. (Third Author); 2004
- Central venous catheter and Stenotrophomonas maltophilia bacteremia in cancer patients (Fourth author). 2005
- Comparative in vitro efficacies and antimicrobial durability of novel antimicrobial central venous catheters (Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy). 2005

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Seven Wonders of our Heart- A power point community presentation- 2016
- Do Microbes communicate?- A power point community presentation- 2016
- “How are your Telomeres doing?” a lecture presented at the Integrative Health Seminar for Sitka community- April 2016.
- “Hazards of Third Hand Smoke” powerpoint presentation at Sitka Assembly meeting- 2014
- “The value of quantitative blood culture collected through CVC in establishing the diagnosis of bloodstream infections.” (Presented a poster at Internal Medicine Conference that was sponsored by M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, University of Texas in Houston.) - 2005

### **Awards**

Promoted to an Associate Professor- UAS- Sitka- 2021  
Faculty Excellence Nomination- 2018  
Scientist of the Month- BLaST- 2017  
Outstanding Faculty Award- Sitka campus- 2015  
President Obama’s Volunteer service Award- 2012

### **Grants**

- \* Received a Grant from BLaST- UAF- Fairbanks for a study through a mentored student on Mental Health Stigma among high school students in Alaska- 2018
- \* Received a Grant from BLaST- UAF- Fairbanks under Curriculum Development to conduct a new module on catheter-related infections for undergraduate Microbiology students- 2016-2019

#### **Academic Organizations Membership**

American Society for Microbiology (ASM)  
Human Anatomy and Physiology Society (HAPS)  
American Medical Technologists (AMT)  
Christian Medical & Dental Association (CMDA)

#### **Sitka City Community Services**

Sitka Library Commission- Commissioner (2018- 2020)  
Sitka Community Hospital- Board Member (2013-2016)  
Home-Health Advisory Board Member (2014-2016)  
Health Commission- Sitka- Commissioner/Chair (2014-2016)

#### **References**

Available upon request



## Health Needs and Human Services Commission

NAME	CONTACT NUMBERS	TERM STARTS	EXPIRES	CATEGORY
RACHEL WORTHEY 705 Sawmill Creek Road	731-610-5199 rachelworthey@gmail.com	6/14/23	8/24/24	<b>Chair</b>
AMANDA ROBERTS 1212 Seward Avenue	907-966-8745 amandar@searhc.org	8/9/23	11/9/24	<b>Vice Chair</b>
ANNETTE EVANS PO Box 902	406-579-1936 wannitta12@yahoo.com	1/24/23	12/8/23	
ELISE DAVIDSON KITKA 113 Metlakatla Street	907-738-7057 ekitka@scpsak.org	2/28/23	4/13/24	
WOODY WIDMARK 444 Katlian Street	907-752-0152 woodywidmark@gmail.com	9/13/23	9/13/26	
TRISTAN GUEVIN 200 Seward Street	907-738-5415 tristan.guevin@gmail.com	3/23/21 2/9/22	1/8/22 2/9/25	Resigned 7/24/2023
LAKOTA HARDEN 113 Metlakatla Street	510-827-7689 lakotaharden@yahoo.com	3/23/21 11/8/22	11/26/22 11/8/25	Resigned 9/10/2023
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Kevin Mosher 100 Lincoln Street	907-752-0467 assemblymosher@cityofsitka.org			Alternate Assembly Liaison

Established by Ordinance 2013-23

7 members, 3-year terms. A vacancy on the commission shall be filled by appointment by the Assembly for any remainder of an unexpired term.

Meeting schedule: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month; Noon at Harrigan Centennial Hall, 330 Harbor Drive – Meetings are to be held no less than four times per year.

Revised: October 23, 2023