

## IMANE 2021 Annual Meeting Keynote Speaker George M. Abraham, MD, MPH, FACP, FIDSA

Dr. George M. Abraham is Chief of Medicine at Saint Vincent Hospital, Worcester, Massachusetts, a Professor of Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, and Adjunct Professor at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS). He is board certified in Internal Medicine and Infectious Disease.

He is the President (2021-22) of the American College of Physicians (the largest internal medicine specialty organization in the world), having served as the Emeritus Chair of the Board of Governors and a Regent of the College prior. He served as the Governor of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Physicians (ACP) from 2014-18 and as Chair of the Board of Governors from 2018-19. Recently, he was awarded a Mastership in the College.

He is the Chair Emeritus of the Infectious Disease Board of the American Board of Internal Medicine, which is tasked with certifying all subspecialists in the field of infectious disease.

Dr. Abraham is also the Immediate-Past Chair of the Board of Registration (Licensing) in Medicine, Massachusetts (appointed by Governor Deval M. Patrick and reappointed by Governor Charles D. Baker). Prior to this, he has served as a Trustee of the Massachusetts Medical Society (publisher of the New England Journal of Medicine), as President of the Worcester District Medical Society, as the Chief Medical Officer of the Central Massachusetts Independent Physician Association and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts.

He has received several awards including the AOA Volunteer Faculty Award and the Outstanding Primary Care Educator Award of UMass Medical School; the Leadership Award of the MA chapter of the ACP; and the Phi Lambda Sigma honorary Membership, MCPHS, Worcester, Massachusetts, Saint Vincent Hospital Physician of the Year 2015, among others. Most recently, he was awarded the John H. Clarke Leadership Award by the Federation of State Medical Boards.

His research interests include hepatitis C and B disease, travel medicine and infection control, as well as medication safety and systems improvement. He has authored over 100 publications, abstracts and book chapters, and is an invited speaker at national and international meetings.

Dr. Abraham earned his medical degrees from the Christian Medical College, Ludhiana, India, completed his residency and chief residency at Saint Vincent Hospital, and received his master's degree in public health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.