

'16-'17 National Board Mid Year Updates

# Health Advocacy Chair



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# Protocols for Official Support/Statements

Creation of systematic, transparent procedure for determining

1. Messaging toward our APAMSA general members (approved by National Board)
2. Official APAMSA support of public statements or petitions (approved by National Board and ALL APAMSA members)

# Providing Background Context for Official Support

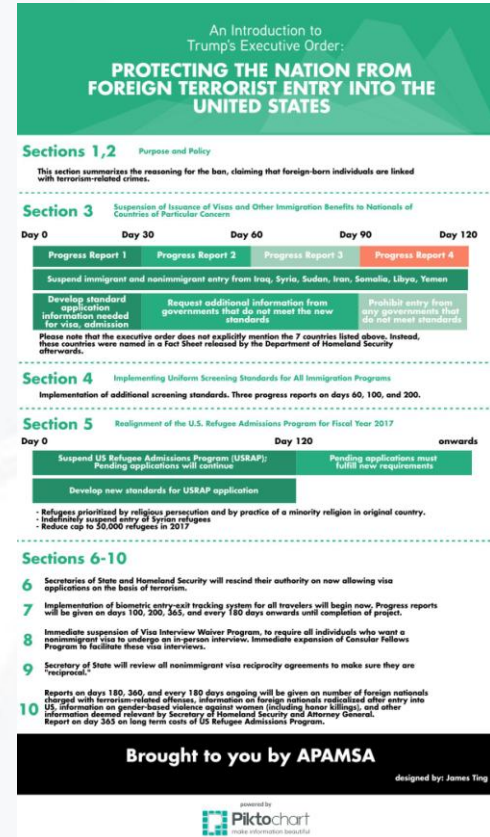
Outlines the 1) Background, 2) “The Ask”, 3) Pros and Cons, and 4) Recommendation from your Health Advocacy Chair

Summarizes the main points for National Board members to quickly understand the issue and make an informed decision

# Infographics for Official Statements

Provide a source of information that comes directly from APAMSA, as opposed to taking it from news outlets that may be perceived as biased towards a certain agenda

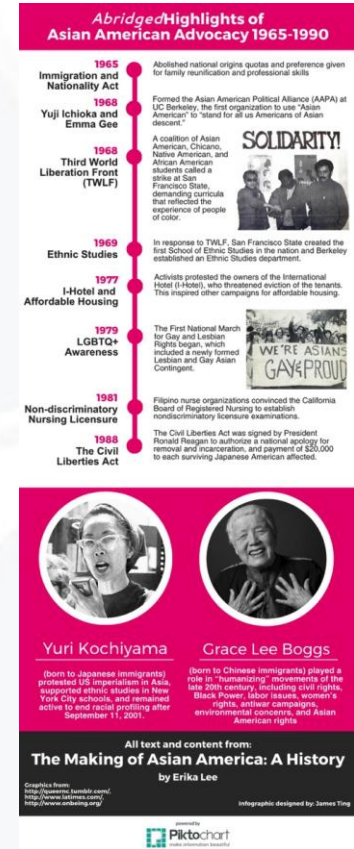
First attempt: our official statement to APAMSA members regarding Trump's executive order on immigration restrictions



# Other infographics

Provide additional information to our members regarding advocacy

Example: timeline of AAPI advocacy between 1965-1990, taken from the book “The Making of Asian American: A History”



# Health Advocacy/AAPI Advocacy Needs Assessment

Attempt to better understand what our members want APAMSA to do for them

- Should we be making more public statements?
- Should we be providing more information for students on how to get more involved in advocacy?
- Are we adequately addressing the issues that our members are concerned about?

# Miscellaneous

- Liaison to the #ProtectOurPatients movement
- Discussion with Founder of Pandia Health (a company which ships OCPs to women who cannot access them) on opportunities to create a collaboration

# Future Plans

- Optimize the protocols for getting National Board approval. Not all NB members are on the same page about the urgency of voting results (now-August)
- Continue creating infographics for urgent topics (June-August)
- Analyze and assess the results of the “Health Advocacy and AAPI Advocacy Needs Assessment” (mid-May)
- Identify liaison to AMA-MSS (mid-May)
- Formalize collaboration with Pandia Health (June)