




## Nominees for AACMA Elected Directors 2023

 <p>Rodrigo (Rodd) Sanchez (Existing Director)</p>	<p>Rodd Sanchez is proud to be a continuous Australian Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine Association (AACMA) member for the past 23 years. During this time, it has been a privilege and a rewarding experience to serve the association with many different roles and positions.</p> <p>At present, Rodd is a current National Board Director for AACMA, current Chair of the AACMA Disciplinary Committee and a Director of the AACMA Audit and Risk Committee. Rodd also previously served time as a AACMA NSW State Committee Member and Chair.</p> <p>Rodd's interests lay in bringing Acupuncture to the general community as a professional vocation with a wider sense of purpose and contribution.</p> <p>In addition to the work with the AACMA, Rodd also brings other experiences and knowledge, with positions of Director for Junior and Senior Activities group within Surf Life Saving organisations.</p>
 <p>Li (Lily) Feng (Existing Director)</p>	<p>Lily Feng completed medical training in Shanghai Traditional Chinese Medicine University in 1995, following graduation, she worked as general physician in teaching hospital, lecturer of Traditional Chinese Medicine theory and Acupuncture clinical supervisor at International Acupuncture Training Center affiliated to Shanghai TCM University until 2001. She then attended Netherlands School of Public Health and completed International Master Degree of Public Health. In 2003, Lily moved to Australia and worked as research acupuncturist for University of Adelaide, also she has been practicing privately until now in Adelaide.</p> <p>After working 28 years, Lily would like to contribute her knowledge and experience to the industry and serve the members. Her wish is to see the industry keep growing and gain more recognition in the society, furthermore to enable members to serve the community and play an important role in primary health care network.</p>
 <p>Eddie (Eduardo) Teijeiro</p>	<p>Diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetic early in life, I turned to Eastern philosophy (yoga and meditation) to find a cure. Chancing upon acupuncture, I fell into TCM's Daoist web.</p> <p>In 1998 I was one of the first two students to graduate with a Bachelor of Health Science (Acupuncture) from ACNM, Brisbane (now Endeavour Colleges).</p> <p>In 2015 I completed a pilot study at the Nanning, No. 7 People's Hospital into acupuncture's positive effect on Type 2 Diabetes patient's blood glucose levels. Graduating with a Master of Acupuncture and Tuina from the Guangxi TCM University., I returned to Australia in order to conduct further research into this topic. All to no avail!</p> <p>After 60 years of living with diabetes, the job of standing and treating patients is becoming quite onerous. It's time to dedicate myself to other, more fruitful TCM endeavours. I have lots of time to devote to the task of being an AACMA Board member. My main focus of interest would be on research and education, but I'm always up for a chat to find out what member's thoughts are for the future of acupuncture in Australia.</p> <p>My Philosophy: Western medicine keeps me alive, TCM provides me quality of life!</p>



Hoc Ku Huynh

Hoc Ku Graduated from Master of Health Science TCM-UTS, Graduated Bachelor of Acupuncture from The International College of Oriental Medicine. Graduated from Xia Men Uni- China. Has been a member of AACMA for 44 years as a Fellow Member. Practicing clinician in TCM Sydney for over 45 years. Registered Practitioner. Former Executive member of WFAS. A current Advisor for WFAS. Member of the organising committee for WFAS Gold Coast and Sydney Symposium. Currently is the deputy Chair of Supervisor Board of World Federation of Chinese Medicine Societies (WFCMS).

1994-2020; Hon Clinical Associate for college of TCM-UTS.

1999-present; Hon Clinical Supervisor for college of TCM-WSU.

Community Services Achievement; 1999 Awarded the Order of Australia Medal- OAM.

I was a Director of National Board of AACMA for 17 Years. I was also the EC member/Chair of the NSW State Committee for 17 years until 2018. I would be honoured to continue to serve the members of Association AACMA and continue to further the professional achievements in TCM profession for years to come.



Mark Vanniekerk

Mark is a registered Chinese Medicine Practitioner for acupuncture and Chinese herbs with over 20 years of experience in the health sector. Mark holds a Bachelor of Health Science (Complimentary Medicine) from Charles Sturt University, an Advanced Diploma in Acupuncture from the Australian Institute of Applied Science, and a Master of Chinese Medicine from Western Sydney University.

Mark has experience in public health, community clinics and private practice, spending the last 12 years as a sole Chinese Medicine practitioner. This has provided invaluable experience and a unique perspective on the challenges facing practitioners in different settings. In the current economic climate, Mark is keenly aware of the pressures facing practitioners and is passionate about advancing the role of Chinese medicine. He has a special interest in promoting Chinese Medicine as a valuable component of integrated care and increasing awareness of the benefits it can provide to medical, allied health, and government agencies.

Mark is confident that he can make a valuable contribution to the AACMA board and the Chinese medicine community and is eager to work collaboratively with other practitioners to improve the delivery of healthcare services.