

**The Association of State Public Health Nutritionists
Biographical Sketch of Candidates for 2025 Election**

Candidate for the office of: Governance Committee

Name: Ivan Zacarias

Credentials: MS, RDN, IBCLC

Title: Director of WIC and Nutrition Services

Agency: Valle del Sol Inc.



ASPHN Activities:

- IDEA Coordinator 2024-2025

Briefly describe why you are interested in filling this position:

- Since joining ASPHN in 2019, I have appreciated the impact this organization has had on the development and implementation of policy, as well as the support and development of leaders within the public health nutrition field. It would be my pleasure to help facilitate future transitions in leadership roles within the organization.

Through my work with other organizations, such as the Arizona Local Agency WIC Association, I have seen firsthand how important it is to have established members who support leadership roles to ensure that the goals and mission of the organization are fulfilled. I believe that my past experience as the ALAWA president and National WIC Association Representative has provided me with a solid foundation of knowledge that would enable me to fulfill this role. This experience includes leadership transitions, the development and execution of ballots, and effective communication between board members and organizational members.

Other Related Activities (professional and/or personal):

- Arizona Local Agency WIC Association President
- Arizona Local Agency WIC Association National WIC Association Representative