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STATE OF OHIO  
**Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Farid Naffah, from Cortland, Trumbull County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Arts Council for a new term beginning September 1, 2023 and ending at the close of business July 1, 2028, replacing Farid Naffah, whose term expired.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty Three.



Mike DeWine  
Governor

## CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Farid Naffah, MD, MS, FACG, AGAF  
Date of Birth: March 12, 1956  
Place of Birth: Beirut, Lebanon  
Citizenship: United States  
Marital Status: Single

Office Address: Avamar Gastroenterology, Inc.  
9225 East Market Street  
Warren, Ohio 44484  
(330) 372-7470

Home Address: 2747 Cadwallader Sonk Road  
Cortland, Ohio 44410  
(330) 638-0006

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish, French, Arabic

## EDUCATION

1976-1978 Columbia University (New York, NY)  
B.S. (Biology)  
Phi-Beta-Kappa

1978-1982 Albert Einstein College of Medicine (New York, NY)  
M.D.

1982-1985 Mayo Clinic (Rochester, MN)  
Residency in Internal Medicine

1985-1988 John Hopkins Hospital (Baltimore, MD)  
Fellowship in Gastroenterology

1986-1988 John Hopkins, G.W.C. Whiting School of Engineering (Baltimore, MD)  
M.S. (Computer Science), with honors

## EMPLOYMENT

1988-1992 Cleveland Clinic Foundation (Cleveland, Ohio)  
Staff Gastroenterologist

1992-1993 The Gastroenterology Clinic (Warren, Ohio)  
Associate

June 7, 1993-  
Present Farid Naffah, M.D., Inc. (Warren, Ohio)  
Private Practice in Gastroenterology

## RESEARCH

-Artificial intelligence in Medicine with focus on expert systems. Main interests: reasoning, uncertainty, knowledge engineering.

-Databases and clinical information systems. Main interests: gastrointestinal endoscopy, computer management of an endoscopy unit.

## BOARD CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

1983	Diplomate of the NBME
1985	Board of Internal Medicine
1987	Subspecialty Board of Gastroenterology
1988-Present	Medical Licensure, Ohio

## MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS

American College of Gastroenterology—Fellow  
American Gastroenterological Association—Fellow  
American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy—Member

## NOMINATIONS

Listed in Best Doctors in America.

## PUBLICATIONS

-Naffah, F., "Acute Pancreatitis", in Clinical Gastroenterology. Achkar, Farmer, Fleshler (eds), Lea & Febiger 1992.

-Naffah, F., "Chronic Pancreatitis", in Clinical Gastroenterology. Achkar, Farmer, Fleshler (eds), Lea & Febiger 1992.

-Naffah, F., "Dysphagia", in Clinical Gastroenterology. Achkar, Farmer, Fleshler (eds), Lea & Febiger 1992.

-Naffah, F., "Databases in Gastrointestinal Endoscopy", Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, July/August 1991 (editorial).

-Naffah, F., "Computers in the Endoscopy Unit", Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Clinics of North America, Vol. 2, April 1992.

-Naffah, F., "Medical Informatics in Gastrointestinal Endoscopy", Gastroenterological Endoscopy, M. V. Sivak (ed), 1999.

-Naffah, F., "The Management of Hepatitis C in a Community-Based Practice", American Journal of Gastroenterology, 2007;102:1839-1841.

## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

**Appointment Date:** 9/1/2023

**Name of Appointee:** Farid Naffah

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Justin Nigro, Operations & Public Affairs Director  
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(614) 728-4459  
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**Term Begins:** 7/2/2023

**Term Ends:** 7/1/2028

**Party Affiliation:** Republican

**Senate Confirmation:** Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate

**Financial Disclosure:** Confidential disclosure required

**Vice:** Farid Naffah