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Ami Bera was elected to represent the people of California's 7th Congressional District in the 113th U.S. Congress. He is a medical doctor and the only Indian American currently serving in the House of Representatives.

A lifelong Californian, and a first generation American, Bera attended California's public schools from grammar school, to community college, through medical school, earning both his B.S. and M.D. from the University of California, Irvine. While in school, he was able to work part time, take out student loans, and graduate with less than \$10,000 in debt. This country invested in him, and he'll work to ensure that we continue to invest in the next generation.

After graduating in 1991, Bera did his residency in internal medicine at California Pacific Medical Center, eventually becoming chief resident. He went on to practice medicine in the Sacramento area, first in various leadership roles for MedClinic Medical Group, where one of his chief contributions was improving the clinical efficiency of the practice, then as medical director of care management for Mercy Healthcare, where he developed and implemented a comprehensive care management strategy for the seven-hospital system.

Bera went on to put his medical experience to work for his community, serving Sacramento County as chief medical officer. In that role, he used his skills as a tough negotiator to fight to reduce the cost of health care, create jobs, and deliver care to tens of thousands of Sacramento residents. He then moved into education, working as clinical professor of medicine and associate dean for admissions and outreach at University of California, Davis, where he taught the next generation of doctors to care for patients. He also helped the University's student-run clinics find innovative ways to engage with the community and deliver care to those who needed it most.

In Congress, Bera uses the skills he learned as a doctor to listen to the people of Sacramento County and to put their interests first. His number one priority is to work with colleagues from both parties to build an economy that works for the middle class to ensure that the next generation has the same opportunity to pursue the American Dream that he had.

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