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November 18, 2024 – Goodrich Named MAFP Outstanding Resident of the Year

The Missouri Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) presented Wesley Goodrich, DO, MPH, of Kansas City, Missouri, with the 2024 Outstanding Resident of the Year Award at the Academy's 76th Annual Meeting on November 8, 2024, at the InterContinental Kansas City at the Plaza. A committee of family physicians selected Dr. Goodrich from nominations made by patients, community members, and fellow physicians.

The MAFP Outstanding Resident of the Year award is presented to a graduating Missouri resident who exhibits exemplary patient care, demonstrates leadership, displays a commitment to the community, contributes to scholarly activity, and is dedicated to the specialty of Family Medicine.

The recipient of this award, Dr. Wesley Goodrich, is a 2024 graduate of the University of Missouri Kansas City Family Medicine Residency Program, where he served as chief resident. Dr. Goodrich's leadership through medical school and residency is everything you would want in a family physician, from serving as a board member or officer of student medical groups to representing family medicine residents at AAFP's national conference.

His research and presentations have focused on vaccinations, OMT, hearing loss, bicycling, and other topics of benefit to medical students. He has also been honored as the recipient of the UMKC Chapter Member of Gold Humanism Honor Society and received scholarships from other state and national groups. He leads by example, and his character is described as someone who is selfless, a teacher, high energy, positive attitude, excellence, dedication, committed, and motivated. The MAFP was fortunate to have Dr. Goodrich serve on our board of directors as the resident director, so we saw first-hand the direct impact he has on serving others whether it is in a clinic, in a meeting, or a one-on-one conversation with him. Dr. Goodrich is now practicing family medicine in Wichita, Kansas.

About the Missouri Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP)

Founded in 1947, the MAFP represents over 2,300 physicians and medical students nationwide. It is the only medical society devoted solely to primary care. Headquartered in Jefferson City, MAFP is dedicated to optimizing the health of patients,

families, and communities of Missouri through patient care, advocacy, education, and research.

Family physicians conduct approximately one in five office visits — that's 192 million visits annually, or 48 percent more than the next most visited medical specialty. Today, family physicians provide more care for America's underserved and rural populations than any other medical specialty. Family medicine's cornerstone is an ongoing, personal patient-physician relationship focused on integrated care.

The Missouri Academy of Family Physicians is the state chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians, which represents 129,600 physicians and medical students nationwide and is located in Leawood, Kansas.

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Left: Wesley Goodrich, DO, MPH, 2024 Outstanding Resident of the Year Award Recipient with MAFP Board Chair Afsheen Patel, MD.

Right: Wesley Goodrich, DO, MPH, 2024 Outstanding Resident of the Year Award Recipient with MAFP Executive Director Kathy Pabst, CAE.