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November 29, 2022 – Koopman Receives MAFP Distinguished Service Award

The Missouri Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) presented Peter Koopman MD, FAAFP, of Columbia, Missouri, with the 2022 Distinguished Service Award at the Academy's 74th Annual Meeting on November 12, 2022, at Big Cedar Lodge in Ridgedale, MO. A committee of family physicians selected Dr. Koopman from nominations made by patients, community members, and fellow physicians.

The Distinguished Service Award recognizes members, nonmembers, and entities for long-time dedication to advancing, contributing, and supporting the MAFP and the specialty of family medicine. There were three Distinguished Service awards presented by the Academy this year.

Since 2009 Dr. Koopman has served on the MAFP Board of Directors, beginning as a district director, moving to leadership roles, and is now a past president. He is currently serving as a Delegate from Missouri for the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Congress of Delegates. In addition, Dr. Koopman was recently appointed to serve as the Chair of the AAFP Commission on Federal and State Policy.

Dr. Koopman is a Clinical Family and Community Medicine Professor at the University of Missouri- Columbia. He serves as the Elective Director for the University of Missouri Family Medicine Clerkship for the medical school and is involved in family medicine advocacy, teaching, exam creation, and mental and behavioral health care for his community. He also continues an active Family Medicine practice in Columbia.

In his spare time, Dr. Koopman volunteers at local organizations and loves music and playing the guitar.

Dr. Koopman earned his undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of Pennsylvania and his medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He completed his Family Medicine residency at the St Margaret's Hospital affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh.

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 of the total medical office visits in the United States annually – more than any other specialty. Family physicians provide comprehensive, evidence-based, and cost-effective care dedicated to improving the health of patients, families and communities. Family medicine's cornerstone is an ongoing and personal patient-physician relationship where the family physician serves as the hub of each patient's integrated care team. More Americans depend on family physicians than on any other medical specialty.

The Missouri Academy of Family Physicians is the state chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians, which represents 136,700 physicians and medical students nationwide and is located in Leawood, Kansas.

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