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November 19, 2021 – Wildwood Physician Named MAFP Family Physician of the Year

The Missouri Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) presented David A. Miller, MD, MHA, CHCEF, FAAFP, of Wildwood, Missouri, with the 2021 Family Physician of the Year Award at the Academy's 73rd Annual Meeting held November 12-13, 2021 at Big Cedar Lodge, Ridgedale, Missouri. Dr. Miller was chosen as the award recipient by a committee of family physicians from nominations made by patients, community members, and fellow physicians.

Dr. Miller has been active in the Academy throughout his career as a family physician. He graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Medicine and completed a family medicine residency program at St. John's Mercy Medical Center (now Mercy) in St. Louis, Missouri. He holds a Health Administration degree, completed a Community Health Center Executive Fellowship and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. This year's family physician of the year has continuously practiced medicine in the greater St. Louis area for almost thirty years.

His focus is not only the health of his patients, but also that of his community. He is an exemplary leader through his service on the St. Louis Academy of Family Physicians, past MAFP and Foundation board member, and on the board of governors of the University of Missouri-Columbia Medical Alumni Association. In 2020, he was recognized by the St. Louis Academy of Family Physicians with the Greater St. Louis Community Health award.

His volunteer service of medical and managerial expertise has benefited groups such as a local free clinic, the Missouri Association of Free and Charitable Clinics, Missouri State Medical Reserve Corps, the Missouri Disaster Response System, Inc., the Eureka Missouri Community Emergency Response Team, the St. Louis County Local Emergency Planning Committee, and Civil Air Patrol.

Dr. Miller currently serves as the assistant medical director and urgent care clinical director at Affinia Healthcare, a federally qualified health center serving the uninsured and underinsured populations of St. Louis City for more than 100 years.

About the Missouri Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP)

Founded in 1947, the MAFP represents over 2,400 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 per year – 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 who represents 136,700 physicians and medical students nationwide and is located in Leawood, Kansas.

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