



February 2023 MAFP News & Events

Missouri Academy Advocacy Day 2023

Be the voice of Missouri Family Physicians by participating in Advocacy Day on February 13-14, 2023. This year's event will be hosted at the Courtyard Marriott in Jefferson City.

There will be a detailed legislative briefing on Monday, February 13 from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. This session will also be live-streamed via Zoom. Tuesday, February 14 will include appointments with your legislators.

Advocacy Day is an excellent opportunity for residents and students to engage on issues important to them. We are here to help and will work with you to ensure your voice is heard at the Capitol!

[Learn More](#)

2023 Virtual CME Series Registration

Sessions will be held via Zoom from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, with each date offering 2.0 Prescribed CME Credits for a total of 8.0 credits.

Register for all four sessions at once to receive a discount!

Dates and topics include:

- February 23 – OB/GYN and Maternal Health
- March 23 – Men's Health
- April 27 – Adolescent Care
- May 25 – Nutrition and Obesity

[Learn more about each session on our website.](#)

[Register Now](#)

Renew Your AAFP Membership! Deadline: March 2

It's time to renew your membership with the American Academy of Family Physicians! Missouri Academy of Family Physicians is the only association in Missouri that supports and advocates for family physicians and your journey in family medicine.

Members receive these AAFP/MAFP benefits and more:

- Ongoing state-wide CME opportunities at reduced costs
- Annual Fall Conference
- Virtual CME and KSAs
- Member Assistance Program
- Online resources designed especially for family medicine
- Leadership opportunities
- Timely communications: quarterly magazine, monthly e-newsletter, website, social media
- AAFP Member Directory
- Advocacy representation at the state capitol and on regulatory issues
- Weekly legislative updates during session

Don't hesitate to call the Missouri Academy office with any questions at 573-635-0830. Our staff is happy to help!

[Renew Today](#)

Seeking Nominations for 2023 MAFP Awards

The Missouri Academy of Family Physicians is accepting nominations for the following 2023 awards:

- Family Physician of the Year
- Resident Stipend Award
- Exemplary Teaching Award
- Outstanding Resident of the Year
- Distinguished Service Award

[Learn More](#)

Members of the MAFP are the heart of the organization's success. They are vital to every facet of the organization's mission. These awards are a way to recognize the outstanding family physicians of Missouri who go above and beyond for family medicine with their patients and their communities.

Nominate a family physician or resident in your life who deserves recognition for providing exemplary care, is involved in their community, or is a leader in their practice. Nominations can be submitted online for each award by visiting <https://www.mo-afp.org/join/member-recognition/>. The awards criteria, eligibility, and nomination guidelines are also available there. The deadline to submit nominations is **April 30, 2023**.

Get involved in the MAFP Tar Wars Program!

The goals of the program are to:

- Educate and motivate students on being tobacco-free.
- Mobilize health care professionals to become proactive in their community's health education.
- Encourage community involvement in support of the Tar Wars program.

Sign up to present to your local 4th and 5th-grade students. All materials and supplies will be provided to you. [Learn more about the program by visiting https://www.mo-afp.org/foundation/tar-wars/](https://www.mo-afp.org/foundation/tar-wars/).

Other News and Updates

AAFP MIG Sign Up

Join your colleagues and participate in an AAFP Member Interest Group (MIG) to share knowledge and support for other family physicians. MIGs were created as a way to define, recognize, and support AAFP members with shared professional interests. Choose from 23 groups to connect with and [join today!](#)

Elimination of the Buprenorphine DATA-Waiver Program

On December 29, 2022, the BNDD issued this [announcement](#) concerning the elimination of the federal DATA-Waiver Program for buprenorphine and the prescriber's requirement for the X-waiver. This change will increase access to buprenorphine for those in need.

MIPS Payment Adjustments Take Effect

Medicare has begun to apply 2023 payment adjustments for Part B services based on 2021 Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) scores. Each eligible clinician received a 2021 MIPS final score in August 2022. Those scores, and the associated payment adjustment factors, are available on the [Quality Payment Program \(QPP\) website](#). The final score associated with each clinician's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)/National Provider Identifier (NPI) determines the payment adjustment applied to their Medicare claims. Clinicians will receive a 2023 Medicare payment adjustment, based on 2021 performance, if they meet these criteria. [Learn more.](#)

SHOW-ME ECHO

EXTENSION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE OUTCOMES

CONCUSSION CARE ECHO A MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH



MEET OUR HUB TEAM

MIKE MOHRLAND, PsyD, ABPP
Neuropsychologist
University of Missouri

KOMAL ASHRAF, DO
Neurologist
University of Missouri

BECKY BLISS, PT DPT, DHSC, NCS
Physical Therapist
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Occupational Therapist
University of Missouri

MARK HALSTEAD, MD
Pediatric Sports Medicine Physician
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CHAMELLE MARCH, APRN, MSN-NP
PM&R Nurse Practitioner
University of Missouri

KITTY NEWSHAM, PhD, ATC
Athletic Trainer
Saint Louis University

MICHAEL RIPPEE, MD
Neurologist
University of Kansas Health System

MICHELLE WHEELER, MS, CC-SLP
Speech Therapist
University of Missouri

EMPOWERING AND SUPPORTING HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS TO CONFIDENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY APPLY BEST PRACTICES IN CONCUSSION CARE

ECHO uses videoconferencing to connect interdisciplinary teams of experts with rehabilitation professionals, therapists, and athletic trainers. Together, they develop advanced skills and best practices through collaboration and case-based learning. The Concussion Care ECHO provides an opportunity to share knowledge resources.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Identify appropriate multi-disciplinary referrals
- Increase utilization of appropriate care plans
- Improve utilization of objective assessments
- Counsel patients effectively and advocate for collaboration with other professionals

WHAT DOES THIS ECHO OFFER?

- FREE continuing education credits
- NO COST to participating sites and individuals
- Uninterrupted time with experts and specialists

JOIN EVERY 2nd & 4th WEDNESDAY OF
THE MONTH FROM NOON TO 1:00 p.m.

REGISTER NOW
SHOWMEECHO.ORG

Missouri Telehealth Network



ECHO: Opioid Use Disorder

Is your community affected by opioid use disorder (OUD)? Could your practice and care team benefit from interactive learning and mentoring in chronic pain management, opioid prescribing, or OUD treatment? Participate in an upcoming Project ECHO® OUD educational series hosted by the AAFP. Project ECHO® (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) is a tele-mentoring program that brings together primary care clinicians, care teams, and subject matter experts and merges brief lecture presentations with case-based learning. This series will be comprised of monthly 1-hour sessions over a 12-month period, covering a variety of OUD topics (TBD). Participation will be open to any practice team member involved in OUD prevention, identification, and treatment.

Sessions will run from April 2023 through March 2024. If you and your practice or care team are interested in learning more, [click here to provide your contact information.](#)

Reminder: Physician Workforce Survey Announcement

Watch your email inboxes! The University of Missouri Center for Health Policy is conducting a survey this winter to better understand the characteristics of the physician workforce in the state. Invitations to participate in the survey are being emailed to a random sample of physicians across Missouri. Survey data will be used to assess practice locations, areas of practice, availability, and demographic characteristics of Missouri's physician workforce. Completion of the survey will take approximately 5 minutes. Answers are confidential and protected on a secure server. All reporting will be aggregated to protect anonymity. If you have questions about the survey, please email hcworkforce@missouri.edu.

These organizations support the efforts to develop informed, reliable health care workforce policy in the state: Missouri State Medical Association, Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, Missouri Hospital Association, Missouri Rural Health Association, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services-Office of Rural Health and Primary Care, Missouri Academy of Family Physicians, University of Missouri Health Care, Mercy Springfield Clinic.

Member Survey: Implementation of Evidence-Based Interventions for the Treatment of Opioid Use Disorders, Harm Reduction and HIV Prevention

Washington University, Institute of Public Health and the National Institutes of Health are surveying health care providers in Missouri to examine the implementation of evidence-based interventions for the treatment of opioid use disorders, harm reduction and HIV prevention. Participants will receive a \$75 gift card after the completion of a 20–30-minute online survey. You may be eligible to participate if you are a prescriber (MD, APRN, PA, or DO) and work in Missouri. If you are interested in participating, please visit https://wustl.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_513lbakMlfiAibk to schedule a very brief time to meet with our research team to determine your eligibility.

Mark These 2023 Dates on Your Calendar!

- **February 10** – Tobacco Free Missouri Annual Membership Meeting (Boone County Health Department, Columbia - 10:00 am-2:00 pm) - [RSVP to leahmartinconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:leahmartinconsulting@gmail.com)
- **February 13-14** - MAFP Advocacy Day - Courtyard Marriott, Jefferson City - [Learn more](#)
- **February 14** - MAFP Board of Directors Meeting - Courtyard Marriott, Jefferson City
- **February 23** - Virtual CME: OB/GYN and Maternal Health - [Learn more](#)
- **March 23** - Virtual CME: Men's Health - [Learn more](#)