

Member Message

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YOU MATTER

Thank you for your membership. Belonging to *your* Academy is a symbol of your commitment to improving the health of our nation. Look at [The Importance of Family Medicine in Illinois](#). More than any other organization I have known, the Academy strives to be bipartisan and patient-centered.

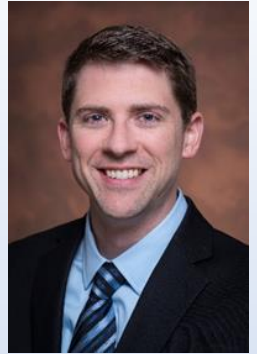
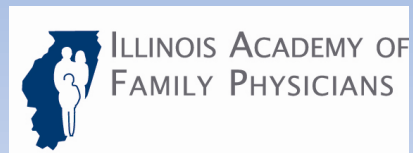
Here's a glimpse of our members:

- We retained 93.6% of our members in 2020 – up .5% from 2019.
- 16% of our active members are osteopathic physicians.
- 32% of our resident members are international medical graduates.
- New Physicians' (0-7 Years Since Residency) retention is our challenge at 84.9%.

Keep growing our membership: Invite a colleague to [join](#).

Thank you for all that you do and most of all – thank you for your support of the AAFP/IAFP. [Contact me anytime](#).

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President



Your well-being is important

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [has a tip sheet](#) for providers to help them “cope with stress and build resilience” during the pandemic.

AAFP's [Physician Health First](#) is the first-ever comprehensive initiative devoted to improving the well-being and professional satisfaction of family physicians, we are working at every level to help put your well-being first, so you can stay passionate about your purpose: providing quality patient care.

With Physician Health First, the AAFP takes a holistic view of the factors affecting physician well-being, and addresses them from the five points of entry illustrated: AAFP is dedicated to helping solve this health care crisis with the action needed at the system level, and the resources desired at the individual level, so family physicians can sustain a successful and meaningful practice.

