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2023 ACOFP FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



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2023–2024 ACOFP
Foundation President

These past twelve months marked a pivotal time for the ACOFP Foundation. Operating in year two of our refreshed strategic plan, the ACOFP Foundation was able to continue working towards our goal of preserving osteopathic distinctiveness, hit new strategic milestones, and plan for the launch of a new fundraising initiative in 2024.

Perhaps most notable this year is achieving our *Forging Our Osteopathic Future* campaign fundraising goal of \$2 million over a year ahead of schedule. This milestone was reached onsite at our 2023 Donor Appreciation Reception in Orlando, when the Auxiliary to ACOFP pledged their commitment to the remaining \$45,500 to surpass

the \$2 million mark. This serendipitous pledge brought our campaign full circle, as the Auxiliary was also our inaugural *Forging Our Osteopathic Future* campaign donor. Achieving this momentous goal not only helps us sustain the future of osteopathic family medicine, but also sets a powerful precedent for strength and unity within our osteopathic community. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed to this campaign, including our incredible ACOFP members, colleges of osteopathic medicine, state societies, and corporate donors. We would also like to extend a special thank you to our diamond level donors—ACOFP, American Osteopathic Foundation, Auxiliary to the ACOFP, and POMA Foundation—for their generosity and commitment to making this goal a reality.

While achieving our campaign goal was certainly our most remarkable accomplishment this year, the Foundation had a number of other notable achievements. Our year started strong with the successful completion and adoption of updated governance practices to align Foundation leadership with our recently updated strategic goals.

We also launched an In-Service Exam (ISE) pilot program in partnership with ACOFP California to support residents earlier in their careers. We know that if a residency program does not endorse the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians (AOBFP) ISE, they have no pathway to participate in the AOBFP's Early Entry Initial Certification pathway. This joint ACOFP Foundation/ACOF California program covers the full cost of ISE fees for programs that have not traditionally supported the exam. In October, our Board voted, along with ACOFP, to expand this program

nationally, ensuring that no resident will face obstacles in participating in the ISE due to their program affiliation.

The ACOFP Foundation also established an Auxiliary Fund this year, which supports scholarships for osteopathic medical students, as well as leadership training and development of resident family medicine programs. This partnership will allow contributions to the Auxiliary to be tax-deductible and will further reinforce the vision that the Auxiliary, the Foundation, and ACOFP operate as a three-legged stool which collectively champions osteopathic family medicine nationwide.

As we look to the future, we are excited to launch a new fundraising campaign focused on strengthening ACOFP's future leaders. We know that these individuals represent the future of osteopathic medicine, and by providing targeted support, we aim to not only retain their dedication to our profession, but to allow them to thrive as leaders within osteopathic family medicine.

Finally, we would like to extend a sincere thank you to ACOFP for their partnership and unwavering support, as well as the Foundation leadership for their stewardship throughout this transformative period in the Foundation's history. We look forward to continuing our work as we collectively forge the future of osteopathic family medicine.

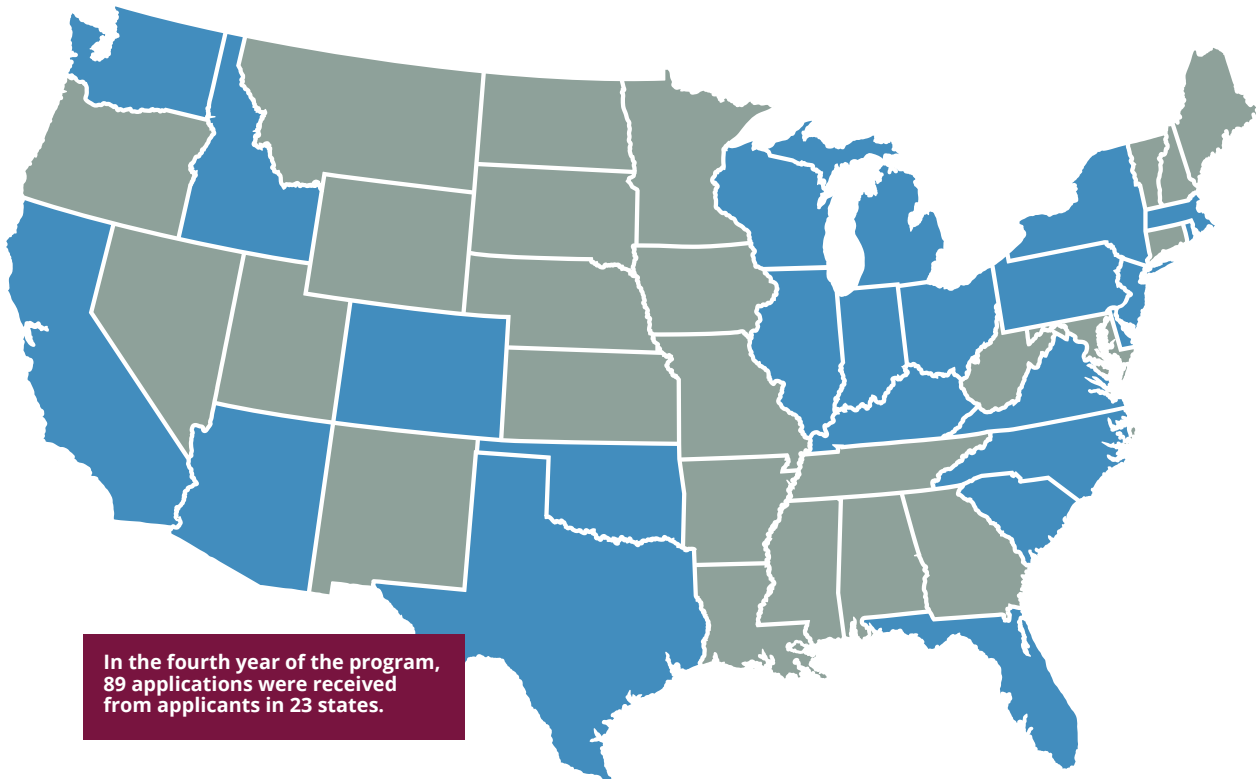
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GOAL 1



Watch the Foundation Milestone video

Strengthen the osteopathic family physician profession by promoting a diverse and distinct workforce.



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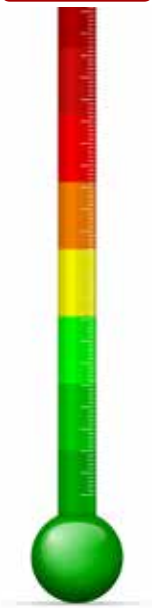
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MILESTONE REACHED FOR INITIAL CERTIFICATION GRANT PROGRAM

In April, the ACOFP Foundation serendipitously reached our \$2 million *Forging Our Osteopathic Future* campaign fundraising goal. We achieved this goal almost a year ahead of schedule. Reaching a large goal like this so early is a rare achievement in the foundation world and a testament to the strong dedication of ACOFP members. A special thank you to our donors for their generous support of this effort!

This fund supports grants to third-year residents seeking AOBFP Board Certification via our Initial Certification Grant program. In the fourth year of the program, 89 applications were received from applicants in 23 states. The Foundation welcomes the continued support of the campaign, which helps to ensure osteopathic distinctiveness.

\$2 million



ACOFP FOUNDATION RECEIVES ANOTHER GREAT AUDIT

The Audit Review Committee met with the auditors who gave both ACOFP and the ACOFP Foundation a clean opinion and did not find any internal control issues that would require a management letter for either organization.

IN-SERVICE EXAM PILOT PROGRAM LAUNCHED

ACOFP Foundation partnered with ACOFP California to launch an In-Service Exam pilot program, which fully covers the cost for programs who have not typically supported this pathway. Four California residents took advantage of program in 2023. In October, the Board approved a national approach to kick off in 2024 that will allow for any resident to be eligible for the program.



GOAL 2



Provide osteopathic training, resources, and other learning opportunities to promote delivery of the highest quality of care for the body, mind & spirit.

The ACOFP Foundation recognized outstanding residents and students in 2023 with the following awards.



SANDER A. KUSHNER MEMORIAL OSTEOPATHIC FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENT AWARD

The ACOFP Foundation recognized Jordan Wong, DO, as the distinguished recipient of the 2023 Sander A. Kushner, DO, FACOFP Memorial Osteopathic Family Medicine Resident Award.

This prestigious award pays tribute to the memory of Dr. Sander A. Kushner, a dedicated advocate of osteopathic family medicine, renowned for his unwavering commitment to education and the profound impact he made on the field. Dr. Kushner’s enduring legacy lives on through the physicians he mentored, his esteemed colleagues, and the communities he served. Jordan Wong, DO, exemplifies the spirit and dedication to osteopathic medicine that Dr. Kushner cherished, making him a deserving recipient of this esteemed honor.

NAMEY/BURNETT PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE WRITING AWARD

Sponsored by the ACOFP Foundation, with winners selected by the ACOFP Health & Wellness Committee, the Namey/Burnett Preventative Medicine Writing Award honors the memory of Joseph J. Namey, DO, FACOFP, and John H. Burnett, DO, FACOFP, by recognizing the best preventative medicine blog posts submitted by osteopathic family medicine students and residents.

The 2023 winners were:



First Place: Maura Fox, “The Weight of Obesity and the Role of the Family Physician”

Second Place: Elisabeth Arndt, “The Value of OMT in Preventative Medicine: Advocating for Equitable Reimbursement Rates for Osteopathic Manipulation Therapy”

Third Place: Violeta Foss, “Vegetables for Life: Plant-Based Nutrition as a Tool Against COVID-19”

CLINICAL PRECEPTOR EDUCATION SERIES

The ACOFP Foundation supported the ACOFP Preceptor Committee collaboration with the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) to host a session titled “Educating the Next Generation of Family Physicians” as part of the Clinical Preceptor Education Series during ACOFP ’23.

LEADERSHIP WEBINAR SERIES



In addition to supporting the 2023 Future Leaders Conference, the ACOFP Foundation supported a new initiative to foster connections and empower alumni of the Future Leader Conference through the development of the ACOFP Leadership Webinar Series, a quarterly virtual program.

GOAL 3



Demonstrate the impact of osteopathic family medicine in improving the health of patient populations and communities through addressing social determinants of health.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

A new work group was created to support the overlap of this Foundation goal and ACOFP's strategic priorities. The Community Health Work Group was charged with creating community-based funding concepts to help demonstrate the impact of osteopathic family physicians within their communities. Topics developed in 2023 include Healthy Aging and Palliative Care, and Burnout, and Opioid/Pain Management. This work group will continue to refine these concepts into 2024.

SUPPORT FOR LGBTQ+ HEALTHCARE

The ACOFP Foundation contributed \$10,000 to support the AOF Jeffrey Grove, DO, LGBTQ+ Pride Scholarship, awarded to a student who is committed to better understand and address the unique healthcare needs of the LGBTQ+ community and how such needs can be addressed through osteopathic medicine.

FAMILY MEDICINE EDUCATION CONSORTIUM (FMEC) MEETING

For the third year in a row, the Foundation exhibited at FMEC in Providence, Rhode Island. The Foundation also supported three full scholarships to osteopathic family medicine residents.

“Donors like you are the reason I was able to afford to attend the conference and have the opportunity to present my poster/research. This was such a great experience and opportunity for me as well as my group and we greatly appreciate and thank you for the support.”

—Sierra Derti, OMS-III, LECOM-Elmira

“I just wanted to thank you personally for this opportunity. I had a wonderful time listening to lectures and building relationships with physicians and with residency programs at the Residency Fair. Without your generosity, I would not have been able to go. I greatly appreciated the opportunity to attend and had a wonderful time!”

—Elizabeth Wright, OMS-IV, UNECOM

NEW AND RENEWED STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

In 2022, the ACOFP Foundation updated its strategic mission and priorities to reflect the current and future work of the Foundation. To support this updated strategy, the Foundation launched a governance project to ensure that the leadership structure and bylaws support the Foundation's new strategic goals. The governance project concluded in January 2023 with an update of existing bylaws and board terms.



Donate to Auxiliary

New in 2023, the ACOFP Foundation established a fund to support scholarships to students via the Auxiliary Fund. Donations to this fund are tax-deductible and support the following initiatives:

- ACOFP Future Leaders Conference
- Auxiliary Student Awards
- ACOFP Student Leadership Program
- Student Advocate Associations Educational Workshop
- Resident Travel Scholarships to Annual Convention



ACOFP Foundation also received a Candid Gold Seal of Transparency on GuideStar for the second year in a row.

Building on the success of the *Forging Our Osteopathic Future* Campaign, the Foundation is in an exciting period of momentum and renewed energy. New strategic goals place a greater emphasis on promoting a diverse and distinct workforce, and also supporting those within the profession to provide the highest quality of care. The Foundation is excited to be launching a new fundraising campaign in 2024 focused on empowering young leaders in the field of osteopathic family medicine. This focus aligns with our mission to champion osteopathic family medicine and our vision to advance comprehensive osteopathic healthcare access for all.

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