
ANNUAL REPORT



COLORADO ACADEMY OF
FAMILY PHYSICIANS
STRONG MEDICINE FOR COLORADO

2019



2019 WAS A BANNER YEAR

The Colorado Academy of Family Physicians continues to be a strong organization representing family physicians through educations, advocacy, practice development, as well as championing both health of the public and the physician.

In 2019, healthcare took center stage in Colorado. Building on decades of work, the CAFP has been working with legislators to highlight comprehensive, high-quality family medicine as the foundation of healthcare. Countless research studies and demonstration projects showed that with a strong, well-funded primary care force people are healthier and total healthcare costs much less. The Primary Care Investment Legislation was signed into law in May, and since then we have been working with the state on implementation.



Partnering with the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, we led legislation that provided an alternative resolution to malpractice litigation—it passed both the Colorado House and Senate unanimously. We were also able to extend funding for the Rural Preceptor Tax Credit program and protect the confidential peer review process. This year's Doctor of the Day program had the most participation that we've ever seen and remains a lauded service that we provide to legislators and staffers.

The Annual Summit moved from Colorado Springs and started its journey around the state in Fort Collins, where we had record attendance and participation. We partnered with My Green Doctor, a free program for you to combat environmental health disparities by adding environmental sustainability to our practices.

Nationally, CAFP worked with family physicians by helping them to champion Primary Care. We collaboratively worked with several other organizations to find lasting solutions to curb the epidemic of firearm violence. We also worked on GME reform, including the development of Teaching Health Centers.

Lastly, our beloved CEO, Raquel Alexander, announced that after 33 years at the helm of our academy she will be retiring at the end of 2020. We had planned a time to celebrate her at the 2020 Annual Summit; however, as it was cancelled, we are working on other plans to celebrate her and her amazing leadership. The CAFP board is currently conducting a national search for a new Executive Vice President to lead the Academy.

I would personally like to thank every member of the CAFP as well as all of the CAFP board members and staff. Your continued support of the Academy's efforts is a tremendous investment in the future of Family Medicine and frankly in the future of our nation's health care system success.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Cawley'.

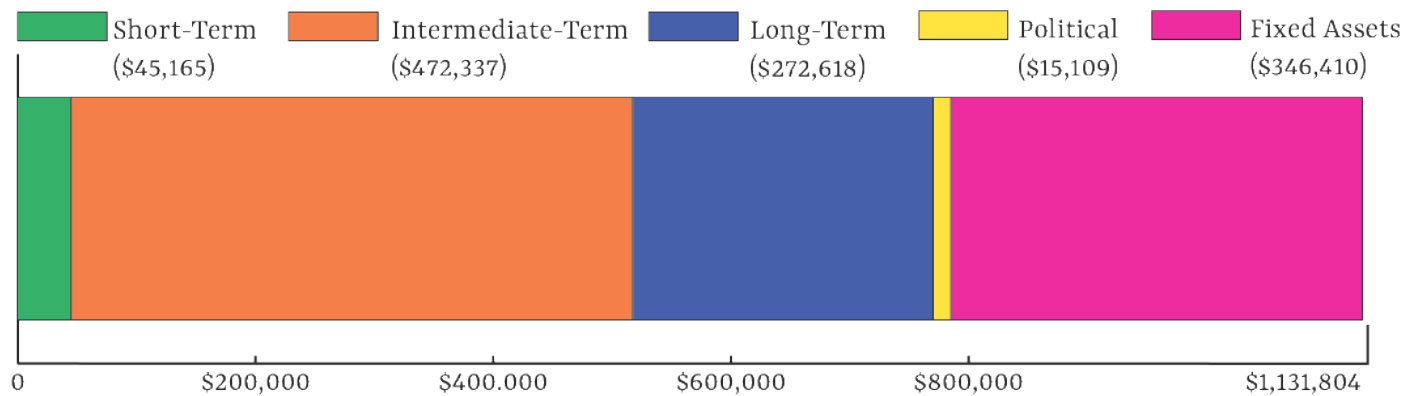
John Cawley, MD, FAAFP

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FINANCIALS

CAFP continues to be financially stable by prioritizing socially responsible investments. In 2019, we reallocated some short-term and long-term funds into intermediate-term for increased flexibility, staying within budget.

CAFP ASSETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019



TOTAL INCOME: \$622,407

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$612,710

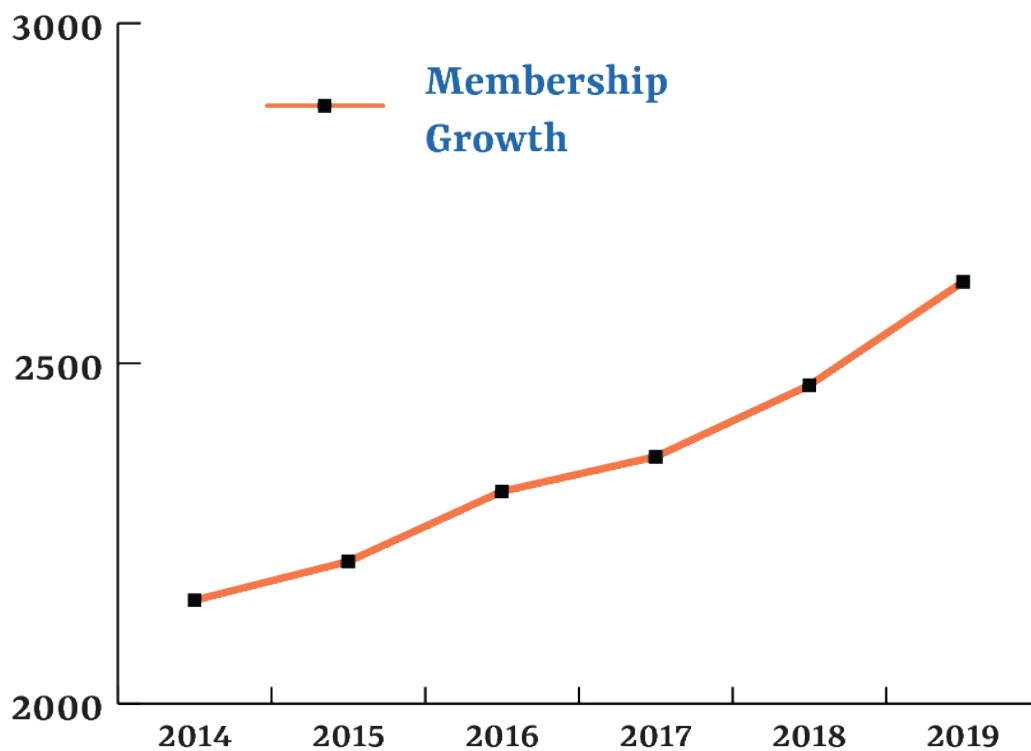
NET ORDINARY INCOME: \$9,698



(RIGHT) CAFP leaders gathered in Washington, D.C. for the AAFP's Family Medicine Advocacy Summit.

2019 MEMBERSHIP

Our goal is to be your “bold champion” during the unprecedented challenges facing Family Medicine. Through advocacy to advance Family Medicine at the state capitol, plus education, events, and training, we work every day to represent you.



2,632 TOTAL MEMBERS

ACTIVE 1,635

RESIDENT 273

STUDENT 474

LIFE 208

SUPPORTING 3

INACTIVE 36

TRANSITIONAL 3



ADVOCACY

YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Family Physicians have a powerful voice, and 2019 showed what we can accomplish by speaking out. Every bill CAFP members testified for was passed into law.

Through dozens of meetings with healthcare organizations, testifying before the state legislature, hundreds of letters, plus op-eds, and letters to the editor, family physicians made enormous strides in 2019 toward making Family Medicine more affordable, more equitable, and more accessible for all Coloradoans.

OUR SUCCESSES

CAFP leadership led to the passage of 3 bills that support and enhance primary care:

- HB-1233 Primary Care Investment
- HB-1088 Rural Preceptor Tax Credit
- SB-201 Candor Act

CAFP advocacy also led to the passage of bills to regulate vaping and continue professional review. Almost 150 Members took action, writing over 230 letters to legislators. Our leadership was endorsed by 23 other healthcare organizations.

Your continued membership makes this success possible. Thank you!



CAFP Board Member Melissa Devalon, MD testifying on the Medical Practice Act in Colorado.



Members of CAFP's Executive Committee met with Congressman Ken Buck to discuss healthcare issues.



CAFP leadership attended the Western States Forum during the AAFP's Congress of Delegates.



Governor Jared Polis signs HB-1233, increasing primary care investment, into law.

“During the session, legislators and staff are working long and unpredictable hours, so when people get sick it’s often difficult to be able to visit a regular physician. We are grateful to have a Doctor of the Day on hand to visit and prescribe medications when needed, so that we can get back to good health and back to work quickly. The Doctor of the Day program is a helpful resource for the legislature, and we appreciate the efforts of the Colorado Academy of Family Physicians and the doctors who participate to make it possible.”
 - Former Speaker of the House of Representatives Crisanta Duran.

Doctor of the Day

is our unique volunteer opportunity with state lawmakers to highlight what family physicians are all about. In 2019, volunteers spent 45 days educating and serving legislators, their staff, and visitors.

CRAIG ANTHONY, MD
 BRIAN BACAK, MD, FAAFP
 CLAIRE BOVET, MD
 TEDDY BROSS, MD
 MARCUS BUTTON, MD
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 STEPHANIE CHIU, MD
 HOWARD CORREN, MD
 TROY CURTIS, MD, MPH
 SOFIA DAVIES, DO
 LAUREN DEALLEUME, MD, FAAFP
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CAFP SUCCESS STORIES



Students who participated in the CAFP's Stop & Imagine program (TOP), which works to educate Colorado's youth in preventing marijuana use, made their own marijuana prevention posters after hearing from family physicians.



In the summer of 2019, CAFP staff went on a Rural Road Trip to visit with members across the western half of the state (LEFT). Beyond the joy we felt at getting to know some of you better, we also learned a lot about the challenges you face.



CAFP values our members, and hearing from you informs how we engage in advocacy, education, and planning. This trip reaffirmed our belief that family physicians are uniquely qualified to care for communities, and we will continue to center that message in our discussions with legislators, organizations, as well as patients.



Education and Events

2019 ANNUAL SUMMIT

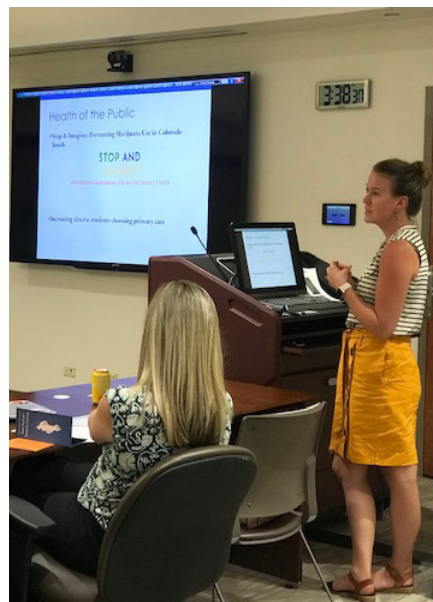


The 2019 Annual Summit, hosted at the Hilton Ft. Collins, was a roaring success, bringing together physicians, residents, and students to learn, network, and enjoy time among colleagues. The theme this year was First Place to Family Medicine, and had a Kentucky Derby style. Thank you to all who attended!

CAFP AWARD WINNERS



Every year, CAFP celebrates its members who exemplify the transformative power of family medicine to improve the lives of their patients and communities. In 2019, we identified three physicians who live the values of family medicine. Claire Bovet, MD (LEFT) was named Family Medicine Resident of the Year. Katheryn Boyd-Trull, MD (CENTER) was named Family Medicine Teacher of the Year. And Glenn Kotz, MD (RIGHT) was named Family Physician of the Year. We are so proud of our members, their compassion, and their dedication to serving their communities. Thank you!



EVENTS IN 2019

Education is a core function of CAFP. Through the annual summit, KSAs, and countless CME opportunities, we are dedicated to helping family physicians engage with the latest research and enhance their skills as doctors.

We also support doctors engaging with the broader policy and medical community. In 2019, CAFP members attended the AAFP's Family Medicine Advocacy Summit in Washington D.C. (TOP LEFT), where they met with legislators and learned how to become powerful advocates for family medicine. Closer to home, the CAFP presented to the Swedish Family Medicine Residency in

Englewood on membership and the work of the Academy (TOP RIGHT) to better engage with our resident members. Colorado leaders, staff and Delegates attended dinner together during AAFP's Annual Chapter Leader Forum / National Conference of Constituency Leaders (BOTTOM LEFT).

Finally, the University of Colorado School of Medicine Family Medicine Interest Group was recognized by the AAFP for the 2019 Program of Excellence Award for their exemplary efforts to grow and support interest in family medicine.

Learn more at our website:
<http://www.coloradoafp.org>.

THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Officers

Chair/Past President – Zach Wachtl, MD, Denver
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Term Expiring 2020

Melissa Devalon, MD, Monument
Stephanie Gold, MD, Denver
Shannon Jantz, MD, Denver
Corey Lyon, DO, Denver

Term Expiring 2021

Rachel Carpenter, MD, Denver
Cleveland Piggott, MD, Denver
Roxi Radi, MD, Denver
Abbie Urish, MD, Rangely

Term Expiring 2022

Karin Susskind, MD, Boulder
Jen Feng, MD, Denver
Kyle Leggott, MD, Aurora
Lindsey Pearson, MD, Boulder

Delegates

Brian Bacak, MD, Highlands Ranch – term expires 2019 (2nd term, two congresses, 2018 & 2019)
Glenn Madrid, MD, Grand Junction – term expires 2019 (1st term, two congresses, 2018 & 2019)

Alternate Delegates

Tamaan Osbourne-Roberts, MD, Denver – term expires 2019 (2nd term, two congresses, 2018 & 2019)
Monica Morris, DO, Denver – term expires 2019 (1st term, two congresses, 2018 & 2019)

Resident Representatives

Emily Aquila, DO, 2021, St. Anthony North Family Medicine Residency, Denver
Sean Buck, MD, 2021, University of Colorado Family Medicine Residency – Denver Health, Greenwood Village
Kale Flory, DO, 2021, Ft. Collins Family Medicine Residency, Ft. Collins, Ft. Collins
Bryce Galbraith, MD, 2020, St. Anthony North Family Medicine Residency, Westminster
Emily Garban, MD, 2021, Ft. Collins Family Medicine Residency, Ft. Collins
Kenny Herring, MD, 2020, University of Colorado Family Medicine Residency – University, Denver
Allison Johnson, MD, 2021, University of Colorado Family Medicine Residency – Denver Health, Denver
Katharine Kelly, MD, 2021, University of Colorado Family Medicine Residency – Denver Health, Denver
Poorvi Pfenning, MD, 2020 Swedish Family Medicine Residency, Denver
Lindsey Romero, MD, 2021, Southern Colorado Family Medicine Residency, Pueblo
Alexandra Targan, MD, 2021, University of Colorado Family Medicine Residency – University, Denver
Jesse Troutman, DO, 2021, St. Anthony North Family Medicine Residency, Westminster

Student Representatives

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Ross Tanick, Denver, RVU, 2021
Andrew Warren, Centennial, RVU, 2021
Heidi Yen, Denver, CU, 2019

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