



2024
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



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2024–2025 ACOFP
Foundation President

As we reflect on 2024, this has been a landmark year for the ACOFP Foundation. In addition to continuing the work of our new strategic plan, we launched two major initiatives: the Family Medicine Forward Campaign, an ambitious fundraising effort to support early career physicians, and a new ACOFP Foundation website to better serve our community, highlight our work, and report on our impact.

In April, in honor of ACOFP's upcoming 75th anniversary, the Foundation introduced the Family Medicine Forward Campaign to elevate our impact on the osteopathic profession. In today's evolving healthcare landscape, the urgency of addressing barriers in primary care has never been greater. Early career physicians play a pivotal role in shaping the future of osteopathic family medicine, and they need our support now more than ever. With a goal of raising \$750,000 to expand programs for early career physicians, we are proud to share that in the campaign's first year, we reached 33% of our total goal. This progress reflects a true testament to the generosity and dedication of our donors in sustaining the profession in perpetuity. A special thank you goes to our inaugural donors and to ACOFP for their leadership gift of \$75,000, announced at the ACOFP Congress of Delegates.

Another major milestone for the ACOFP Foundation was the implementation of the new Foundation website. This marked a major step forward in how the Foundation connects with our donors, grantees, partners, and the broader healthcare community/industry. Our goal with this project was to ensure that it's easier than ever to access our programs, resources,

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and initiatives, and to also highlight the impactful work we do. This project underscores our commitment to innovation, collaboration, and growth as we continue to champion osteopathic family physicians in delivering exceptional patient care.

In addition to these two milestones, the Foundation made significant strides aligned with our strategic plan. In the fifth year of offering the Initial Certification Grant, we received a record-breaking

number of applications from third-year residents to help achieve osteopathic AOBFP/AOA Board Certification. New this year, we expanded this initiative to support current practicing physicians who were unable to take the OMT portion of the exam in the past ten years. This new OMT Certification Grant provides financial assistance to physicians who wish to take the OMT portion of the AOBFP certification and to further demonstrate their osteopathic distinctiveness.

We also expanded our osteopathic In-Service Exam (ISE) program to support residents nationwide. This initiative ensures that residents from programs not traditionally supporting the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians (AOBFP) osteopathic ISE can have a pathway to seek osteopathic Early Entry Initial Certification. This program covers the full cost of ISE fees for programs that have not traditionally supported the exam, ensuring that no resident will face obstacles in participating in the ISE or EEIC due to their program affiliations.

As we look ahead to 2025, we remain committed to building on this year's progress. Through the Family Medicine Forward Campaign and other initiatives, we will continue to support the future of osteopathic family medicine. We extend our heartfelt thanks to ACOFP for their partnership and to the Foundation leadership for their guidance during this exciting time. Together, we are shaping the future of osteopathic family medicine.

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COMMITTING TO OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Along with the launch of the main ACOFP website, the ACOFP Foundation also unveiled a new look. The updates allow for easier ways to donate, as well as for those seeking funds to access opportunities for grants and awards.



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The Foundation launched the Family Medicine Forward campaign to provide ongoing support for the future of our profession. With the hurricanes affecting the East Coast this year, the Foundation also put new energy behind the Disaster Relief Fund.

In partnership with the American Osteopathic Foundation (AOF), we approved a new research grant opportunity to support osteopathic endeavors in research and education, including the publication of such research. This grant of \$10,000 will be awarded to a resident or fellow in training in an osteopathically recognized program to fund their research activities. The first round of this grant will open in 2025.



ACOFP FOUNDATION EARNS EXEMPLARY FINANCIAL RANKINGS

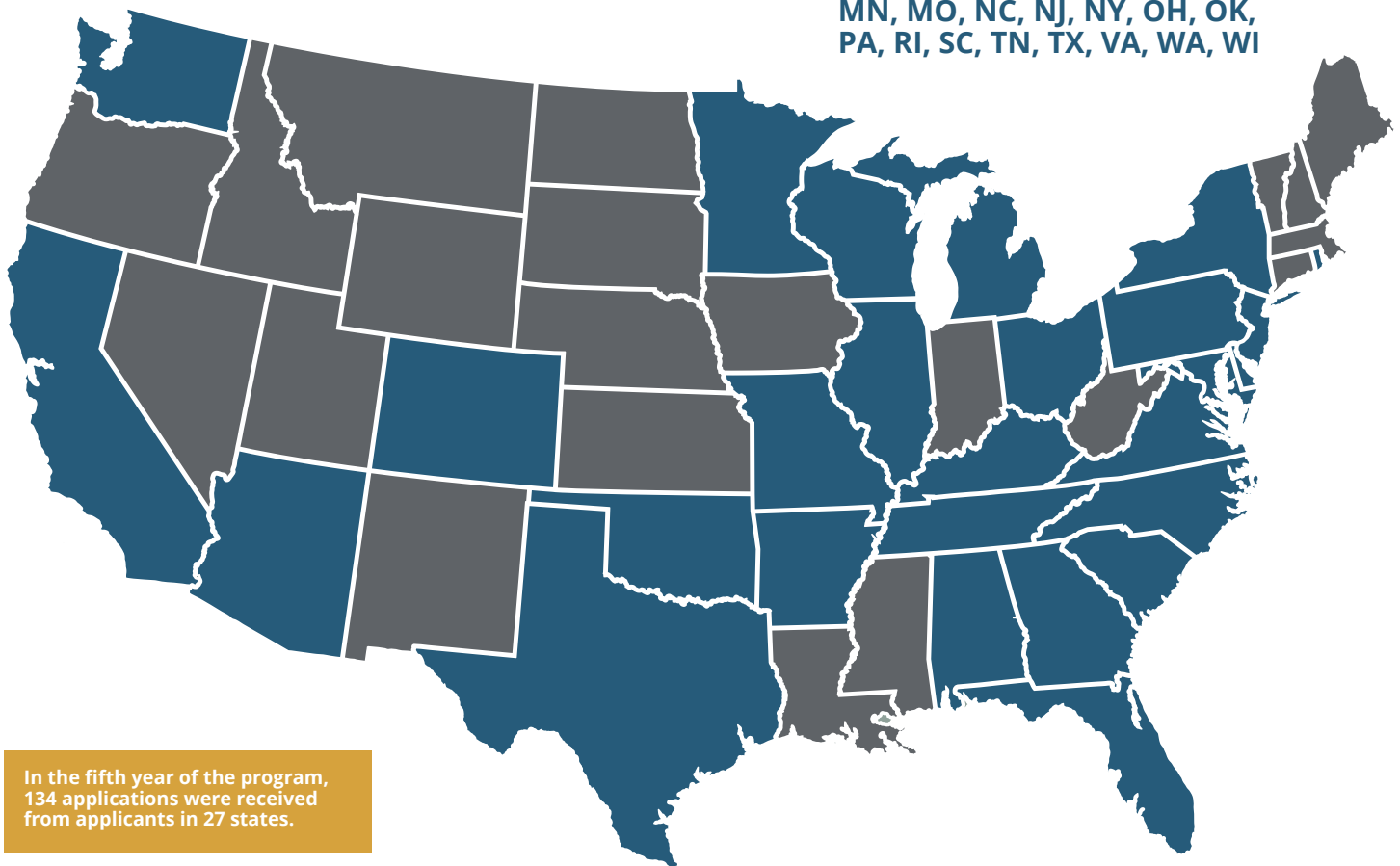
The Foundation received a “platinum” rating for transparency from Candid, a new achievement in 2024. The Foundation also received another excellent financial audit.

GOAL 1



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

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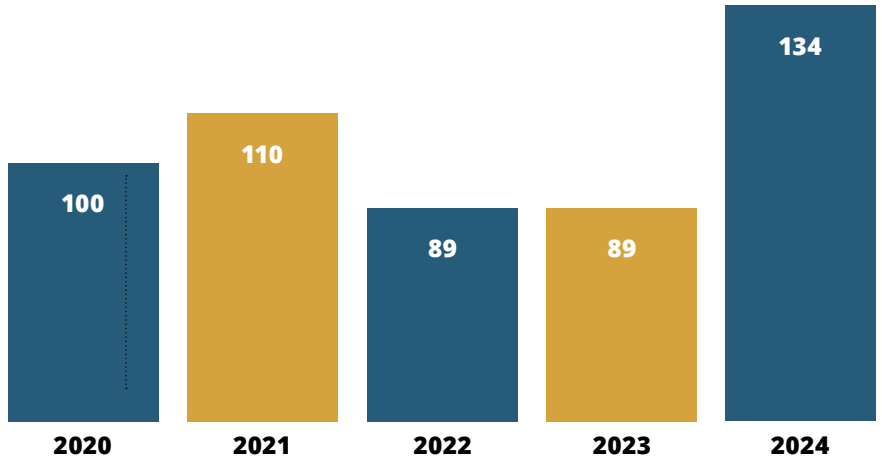


In the fifth year of the program, 134 applications were received from applicants in 27 states.

INITIAL CERTIFICATION GRANT PROGRAM CELEBRATES 5 YEARS

In the fifth year of our initial certification grant program, we supported 134 applicants from 27 states, the highest number of applications received to date.

New in 2024, physicians who completed initial certification within the last 10 years who did not take the practical exam are eligible for up to \$900 in funding to complete this portion of the exam. These funds will cover OMT exam fees and up to \$500 in travel costs.



\$750,000



FAMILY MEDICINE FORWARD

In commemoration of ACOFP's 75th anniversary, the Foundation launched a new campaign to support new-in-practice physicians in April of 2024. This new campaign, Family Medicine Forward, aims to raise \$750,000 by ACOFP's Congress of Delegates in 2027.

In the first year of the campaign, the Foundation raised \$250k, 33% to our goal of \$750k. These funds will support the following programs to launch in 2025:

- Formal mentorship program.
- CliftonStrengths one-on-one coaching sessions.
- Additional Future Leaders Conferences
- Alumni networking opportunities.

FUTURE LEADERS SUPPORT

The successful 2024 Future Leaders conference took place in Palm Springs, CA, at the Avalon Hotel and Bungalows, hosting 21 attendees and 4 mentors. In 2025, this popular program will expand to two sessions, one in June and one in December, both to take place in Chicago, supported by the Family Medicine Forward campaign.

LEGACY CIRCLE GIVING

The Legacy Circle allows donors to include the ACOFP Foundation in their estate planning, including gifts of life insurance policies, IRAs, and other assets.

The ACOFP Foundation gratefully acknowledges the following Legacy Circle members.

- Eugene D. Pogorelec, DO, FACOFP *dist.*
- Jeffery S. Grove, DO, FACOFP *dist.*
- James Michael Lally, DO, FACOFP
- Mrs. Gery Namey
- M. Jay Porcelli, DO, FACOFP *dist.*

IN-SERVICE EXAM PILOT PROGRAM SPREADS NATIONWIDE

Since launching the Forging Our Osteopathic Future campaign in 2019, we have looked to increase our commitment to achieving a strong and vibrant pipeline of DOs by supporting the osteopathic pathway throughout all stages of residency. We know that if a residency program does not endorse the AOBFP In-Service Exam (ISE), produced and administered by ACOFP, they cannot participate in AOBFP's Early Entry Initial Certification pathway and are unlikely to take advantage of the available grant funds from the ACOFP Foundation.

In addition to subsidizing the cost of the exam for our residents, we have expanded our California pilot program to fully pay the cost of the In-Service Exam for first- and second-year residents in residency programs who have not traditionally supported this board certification pathway. This opportunity is now available nationally in all states. The first- and second-year residents will have two ISE exams covered over a two-year period qualifying them to sit for the AOBFP Early Entry Initial Certification exam.

In 2024, 21 residents from 5 separate programs participated in this new program. The ACOFP Foundation is committed to ensuring that no resident will face obstacles in participating in the ISE due to their program affiliations.



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GOAL 2



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



SANDER A. KUSHNER, DO, FACFP, MEMORIAL OSTEOPATHIC FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENT AWARD

The ACOFP Foundation recognized Thomas W. Duffy, DO, as the recipient of the 2024 Sander A. Kushner, DO, FACFP 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. Thomas W. Duffy, 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, FACFP, and John H. Burnett, DO, FACFP, by recognizing the best preventative medicine blog posts submitted by osteopathic family medicine students and residents.

THE 2024 WINNERS WERE:



First Place: Taylor Do, "Bridging Gaps in Skin Health: The Importance of Skin Checks in Patients of Color"



Third Place: Tamryn Van Der Horn, "Foot Health and Foot Examinations as Essential to Preventative Practice by Primary Care Physicians"



Second Place: Daryl Traylor, "Overcoming Barriers to Inclusive Precision Medicine Research and Genetic Screening: The Role of Osteopathic Family Medicine in Engaging Black Patients"



Honorable Mentions: Susana Abril Rodriguez Medina, "An Osteopathic Approach to Maternal Mortality in the Latino Community"



Reena Sheth, "Preventable Healthcare Barriers Experienced by the Transgender Community"

GOAL 3



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



SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

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 health-care needs of the LGBTQ+ community and how such needs can be addressed through osteopathic medicine.

The Foundation also provided key financial support for the Think Tank. After hearing the students needed additional funds to attend convention, the Foundation stepped in and donated \$500 per student participant, a total of \$20,000, to ensure that the students could participate in the Think Tank.

FAMILY MEDICINE EDUCATION CONSORTIUM (FMEC) PARTNERSHIP

For the fourth year in a row, the Foundation exhibited at FMEC in Philadelphia, PA. The Foundation also supported three full scholarships to osteopathic family medicine residents. Here's what the scholarship recipients had to say about their experiences.

"I do not have the money to be able to attend conferences and this made a big difference to me in terms of my residency applications. Before this event, I had not even heard of some of the residency programs, and now I have two interviews from the programs I interacted with there. This takes me one step closer to becoming a first-generation physician.

- Fiona Pashollari, OMS-III (LECOM)

"I was a recipient of the FMEC student scholarship this year, and as a result I was able to not only attend the conference, but also present a poster. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this unique opportunity to explore family medicine and all that it has to offer. It truly was such an incredible weekend filled with learning, laughter, and personal growth."

- Jane Taylor, OMS-IV (LECOM)

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