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Brull Named to AAFP Board of Directors



LEAWOOD, Kan.—The American Academy of Family Physicians held elections for its board of directors this week at its annual Congress of Delegates, the organization's governing body. Members of the board of directors advocate on behalf of family physicians and patients nationwide to inspire positive change in the US health care system. The AAFP represents 136,700 physicians and medical students.

Kansas family physician, Jen Brull, MD, FAAFP was elected as a member of the board of directors. Brull is a family physician in Plainville, Kansas. Brull has practiced family medicine in rural Kansas for 19 years. She is CEO and owner of Prairie Star Family Practice, PA in Plainville. In addition, she serves as regional medical director for five accountable care organizations of independent primary care practices located in Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Colorado and Utah. She serves the Rooks County Health Center Surgical Clinics as medical director and operations manager, and formerly served 12 years as health officer for the Rooks County Health Department. She is also the Kansas Medical Director for VaxCare.

Brull is the ninth Kansan and the second Kansas woman, to be elected to the AAFP Board of Directors.

"The beauty of family medicine is the diversity in practice. I am a business owner and regional medical director for a group of primary care accountable care organizations, an advocate for family medicine, and a passionate performance improvement teammate. I am incredibly excited to add this role to my work and look forward to my time on the AAFP Board of Directors," Brull said in her acceptance speech.

Read more about Dr. Brull and her journey at <https://adastrabrull.com/>

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About the Kansas Academy of Family Physicians

Founded in 1948, the KAFP represents nearly 2,000 physicians and medical students statewide. It is the only medical society in Kansas devoted solely to primary care. A family physician takes care of the whole family, all ages, both sexes, each organ system and every disease entity. Research has proven that people with access to primary care have better health outcomes than those who do not. In Kansas, approximately one-half of family physicians practice in non-metropolitan areas. Over 25 percent treat uninsured patients, especially children and families receiving public assistance. The mission of the KAFP is to support and serve family physicians of Kansas as they advance the health of Kansans. For more information visit the website kafponline.org.

About the American Academy of Family Physicians

Founded in 1947, the AAFP represents 136,700 physicians and medical students nationwide. It is the only medical society devoted solely to primary care. Family physicians conduct approximately one in five office visits -- that's 192 million visits annually or 48 percent more than the next most visited medical specialty. Today, family physicians provide more care for America's underserved and rural populations than any other medical specialty. Family medicine's cornerstone is an ongoing, personal patient-physician relationship focused on integrated care. To learn more about the specialty of family medicine, the AAFP's positions on issues and clinical care, and for downloadable multi-media highlighting family medicine, visit www.aafp.org/media. For information about health care, health conditions and wellness, please visit the AAFP's award-winning consumer website, www.familydoctor.org.