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THE LOUISIANA ACADEMY FAMILY PHYSICIANS INSTALLS ITS 68TH PRESIDENT

Baton Rouge, LA. – The Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) announced the installation of its 2015-2016 President, Dr. Brian Elkins, of Alexandria, LA. Sworn in at the inaugural luncheon in New Orleans, LA, on Saturday, August 8th, Dr. Elkins became the LAFP's 68th President.

Dr. Elkins is a 1992 Magna Cum Laude graduate of LSU. His medical education was at LSUHSC-Shreveport 1992-1996. He was awarded membership in Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society. Dr. Elkins served as chief resident at In His Image Family Practice Residency in Tulsa, Oklahoma and was awarded the Excellence in Behavioral Medicine award. Dr. Elkins joined the LSU Family Medicine Residency based at Rapides Regional Medical Center in Alexandria in 1999, where he taught and supervised residents working on board certification in family medicine, in addition to caring for his own patients, and became its director in 2005. Dr. Elkins currently is the attending physician for the Legacy Health & Wellness, an employer-based primary care, wellness, and occupational health facility.

Dr. Elkins has 15 years of experience in a wide range of healthcare settings and a deep and broad knowledge of human health and illness. In addition to operating his family-medicine practice and supervising the residency program, he is active in statewide academics. He was appointed an Associate Professor – Adjunct with the Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge and was a Clinical Assistant Professor of Family and Community Medicine with Tulane University School of Medicine. Dr. Elkins was awarded the Magnolia Award for excellence in teaching five times and was selected as Louisiana Family Physician of the Year in 2008.

Dr. Elkins has an active private life. He is an elder in his church, Scoutmaster in his son's Boy Scout troop, and an avid runner. He and his lovely wife Barbara are raising 4 children.

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About the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians

Established in 1947, the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) is one of the state's largest primary care organizations, with more than 1,600 member physicians, residents and medical students throughout the State of Louisiana. The mission of the LAFP is to promote and support Louisiana's family physicians in providing excellent health care and to provide a unified voice for family medicine. For more information, visit the LAFP website at www.lafp.org.