
General Assembly – July 21, 2023 – New Orleans, LA

1 **Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians**
2 **2023 General Assembly**

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4 **RESOLUTION NO 6.**

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6 **Dues Increase for Active, First Year New Physicians, Inactive, Supporting and Transitional**
7 **Membership**

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9 **Submitted by: LAFP Board of Directors**

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12 **WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) Board of Directors discussed the
13 issue of a dues increase of \$50 dollars starting in 2024 and made the determination that this
14 dues increase of \$50 dollars is essential to maintain LAFP’s ability to maintain financial viability,
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17 **WHEREAS**, Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) Board of Directors, in recognition of
18 this need, approved the dues increase of \$50 dollars starting in 2024, therefore, be it

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20 **RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) Board of Directors urges the
21 membership to approve for the annual dues for active members of the LAFP will increase \$50
22 dollars beginning January 2024 resulting in the total annual dues for Active membership to be
23 \$370 dollars, First-year New Physician membership to be \$185, Inactive membership to be \$185,
24 Supporting membership to be \$370 and Transitional membership to be \$185 be approved by
25 the General Assembly at its July, 2023 meeting.

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27 **Background Information**

28 The current LAFP Bylaws state that the Board of Directors fiduciary responsibility for setting
29 active member dues each year, up to a certain amount. Once that capped amount is reached,
30 the General Assembly must increase this cap by a 2/3 vote. The Bylaws also give the Board of
31 Directors fiduciary responsibility for setting annual dues for other member classifications.
32 Minimal dues increases have occurred one time in five years with the annual dues for active
33 members being \$320 per year.

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35 The LAFP had its last dues increase in the amount of \$20 approved by the General Assembly in
36 2016.

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38 As of 1/1/23 the Louisiana Academy Family Physicians is considered a medium chapter (401-
39 1,000 active members) along with 15 other chapters the same size and their chapter dues are as
40 follows:

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42 1. Arkansas \$275
43 2. Connecticut \$350
44 3. Idaho \$325
45 4. Kentucky \$380

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46	5. Louisiana	\$320
47	6. Maine	\$210
48	7. Maryland	\$395
49	8. Mississippi	\$300
50	9. Montana	\$235
51	10. Nebraska	\$350
52	11. Nevada	\$220
53	12. New Hampshire	\$145
54	13. New Mexico	\$330
55	14. Oklahoma	\$295
56	15. Utah	\$280
57	16. West Virginia	\$375

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59 There are 7 chapters that their dues are higher than the Louisiana Chapter, 8 chapters are lower
60 and 0 chapters that are the same.

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62 **AAFP History**

63 In 1994, the bylaws were amended to increase the active member dues cap to \$350. The cap
64 was not increased for 14 years, until 2008, when it was increased to \$450. Thus, the rarity of
65 seeking an increase in the cap is demonstrative of the board's caution in increasing dues,
66 together with the long-standing trust by the COD in the board's management of active member
67 dues decisions.

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69 The AAFP initiated a dues increase of dues of:

- 70 • \$10 (from \$405 to \$415), effective January 1, 2014
- 71 • \$5 (from \$415 to \$420), effective January 1, 2015
- 72 • \$10 (from \$420 to \$430), effective January 1, 2016
- 73 • \$10 (from \$430 to \$440) effective January 1, 2017
- 74 • \$5 (from \$440 to \$445) effective January 1, 2018
- 75 • \$5 (from \$445 to \$450) effective January 1, 2019

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77 The dues increase remained in place till 2022, where dues were increased:

- 78 • \$10 (from \$450 to \$460) effective January 1, 2022
- 79 • \$10 (from \$460 to \$470) effective January 1, 2023.