

1 **INDIANA ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS**
2 **REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

3 **French Lick, IN**

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4 **Nicole Boersma, MD, FAAFP**

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6 I would like to thank the Academy for the privilege of serving as Chair of the Board of Directors
7 for the last year. I would also like to thank each member of the Board for making our meetings a
8 regular reminder of why I am so proud of our Academy.

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10 Since the Congress of Delegates last July, your Board has worked hard to implement the
11 directives issued to it by the Congress. It is the work done by this Congress and the resolutions
12 brought by our members that shapes the actions of our Commissions and gives direction to the
13 voice of our delegation to the AAFP convention, and the resolutions that were adopted by last
14 year's Indiana Congress have made their way to the State House, to the ISMA, to news desks,
15 and to the AAFP's virtual Congress of Delegates.

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17 Members of your Academy were able to meet in Kansas City for the National Conference of
18 Constituency Leaders and the Annual Chapter Leader Forum, after two years of virtual
19 meetings. Indiana was well-represented, as it is every year.

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21 Your Commissions and Committees have been working hard all year as well, and it is thanks to
22 their efforts that this Academy is able to impact health care in Indiana on so many fronts.
23 The Commission on Education has continued to facilitate quality, timely, and relevant CME for
24 our members, both virtually and in person. These offerings allow family physicians to remain
25 current on required education for opioid prescribing, present their own research, and provide our
26 patients with the best in evidence-driven medical care.

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28 The Commission on Membership and Communications has continued to promote the role of
29 family physicians in community health care, and to lift up both the specialty of family medicine
30 as a whole and those individual physicians whose achievements are recognized by their peers.
31 The Commission on Legislation has been hard at work in the State House, implementing the
32 policies and recommendations made by the Congress of Delegates and the Board of Directors,
33 and keeping the IAFP present to provide input on legislation that impacts our patients' health
34 and our practice as physicians.

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36 The Board has continued to meet quarterly, and I have enjoyed facilitating the lively and
37 passionate discussions that have come from each meeting. I am even more delighted to meet in
38 person here in French Lick. It has been an eventful year, and I look forward to continuing my
39 service with the Academy as we work to keep Indiana's family physicians strong, healthy, and
40 effective.

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42 Respectfully Submitted
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44 Chair of the Board