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Terrance Hines, MD, sworn in as TAFP President

GRAPEVINE, TEXAS — Terrance Hines, MD, of Austin, Texas, was sworn in as president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians during the 2023 Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in Grapevine. Hines assumed his duties Nov. 11 at TAFP’s annual awards lunch.

“I am humbled and honored to stand before you today,” Hines said in his inaugural speech. “Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of our patients and in the future of health care. Thank you for being a part of this journey, and I look forward to all we can achieve together.”

“Putting ourselves in the shoes of our patients, experiencing true empathy with them, that is the heart of what it means to be a family physician. We know that and we feel that in the exam room. But we also know, *that care, that duty*, has to extend beyond the clinics.”

Hines is the executive director and chief medical officer for University Health Services at The University of Texas at Austin. His practice emphasizes student health, gender care, and HIV prevention. He completed both his undergraduate degree and medical school at Texas A&M University, and residency at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth. He has previously been recognized with the Austin Under 40 Award in Medicine and Health Care as well as the TAFP Special Constituency Leadership Award.

During his year as TAFP president, Hines will work with other officers to lead the Academy: Immediate Past President and Board Chair Emily Briggs, MD, MPH, of New Braunfels; President-Elect Lindsay Botsford, MD, MBA, of Houston; Treasurer Ike Okwuwa, MD, of Odessa; and Parliamentarian Adrian Billings, MD, PhD, of Alpine.

Family physicians like Hines are qualified to work in all major medical areas and trained to treat more than 90% of all cases they encounter. Family physicians care for patients of all ages.

The Texas Academy of Family Physicians is the premier membership organization dedicated to uniting the family doctors of Texas through advocacy, education, and member services, and empowering them to provide a medical home for patients of all ages. It has 33 local chapters and is a chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians. Visit www.tafp.org for more information.