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## **David Bauer, MD, PhD, FAAFP, receives the TAFP Presidential Award of Merit**

ADDISON, TEXAS — The Texas Academy of Family Physicians presented its Presidential Award of Merit to David Bauer, MD, PhD, FAAFP, at TAFP's Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in Addison on Nov. 15. The award is given each year to those who show outstanding contributions to health care in Texas.

Bauer was honored by TAFP Past President Lindsay Botsford, MD, MBA, for his leadership and mentorship. Bauer spent 23 years at the Memorial Family Medicine Residency Program in Sugar Land, Texas, including 19 years as the program director. After retirement, Bauer and his wife Leslie moved to New Hampshire.

While thanking TAFP and Botsford for the award, Bauer also thanked his colleagues for their service to their own communities.

"Every single day, you focus on what really matters. You care for your patients tirelessly. You train, you mentor, you serve as role models for medical students and residents, and you work at the legislative level to advocate for the health of our patients and the people of Texas... for that I'm incredibly grateful to you and I thank you so much."

Family physicians like Bauer 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.

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