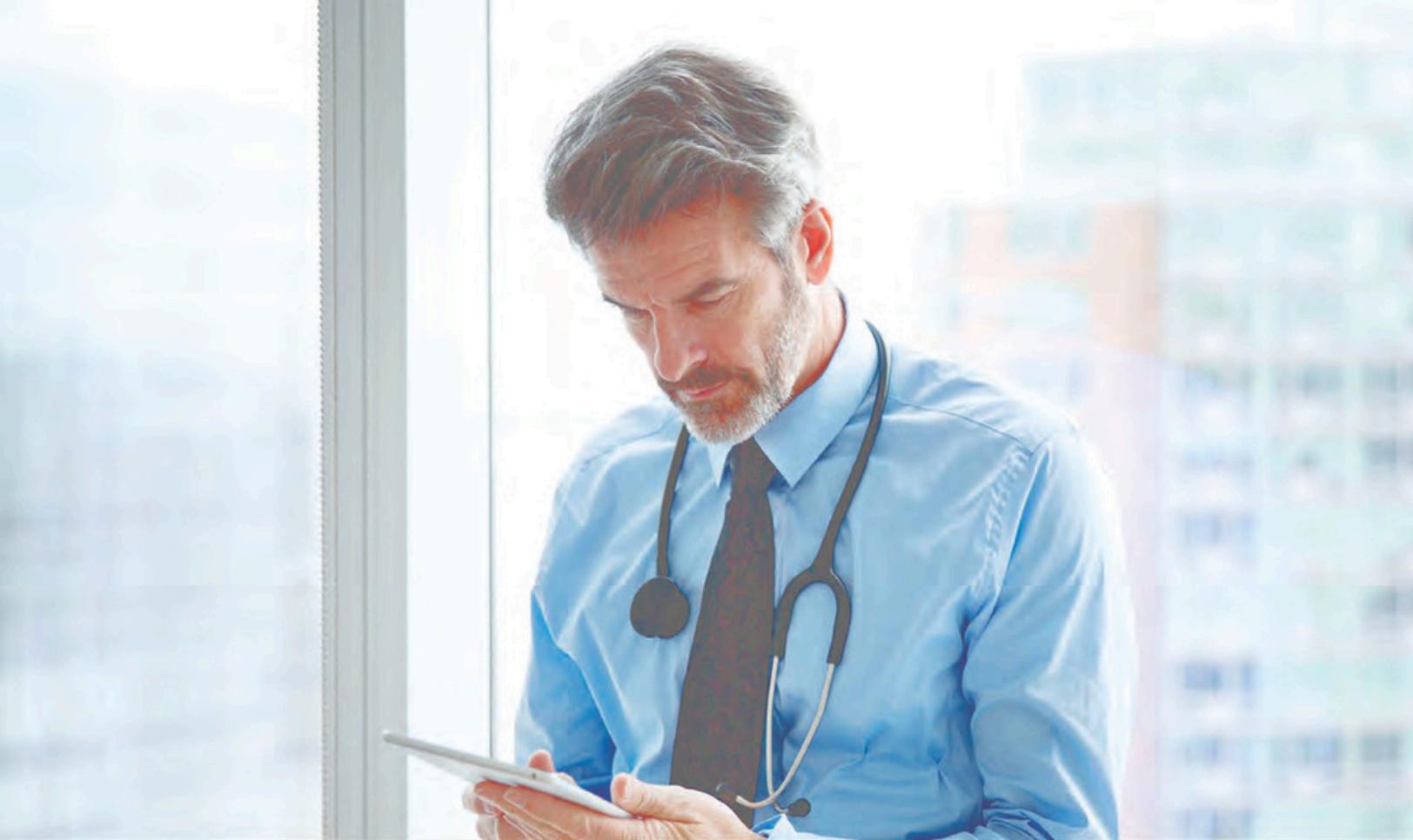




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## OOA CEO outlines priorities for protecting and strengthening osteopathic medicine in Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY — The chief executive officer of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association says advocacy, unity and physician-led healthcare must remain central priorities for osteopathic physicians across the state.

In remarks prepared for members of the DO Journal, the CEO emphasized that the OOA exists solely to represent and protect doctors of osteopathic medicine in Oklahoma.

“If you are a DO in Oklahoma, this is your association,” he said. “Our mission is singular — to promote the health of all Oklahomans through education and advocacy for the osteopathic profession.”

### Advocacy as a core responsibility

The CEO said advocacy is not optional in today’s healthcare environment. Legislative and regulatory decisions affecting licensure, reimbursement, scope of practice and managed care are accelerating in pace and complexity.

He reiterated the association’s longstanding position that physicians should oversee physicians in matters of licensure and regulation, particularly as discussions continue around board structure and composition.

“When policy is written without physician input, patient care is affected,” he said. “Strong advocacy begins with strong relationships.”

The OOA maintains regular contact with lawmakers, agency leaders and health officials at the state Capitol and beyond, he said, noting that sustained engagement builds credibility and access.

## Political engagement and investment

The CEO also underscored the importance of political engagement through the Oklahoma Osteopathic Political Action Committee. He said membership dues support core association functions, but political advocacy requires additional participation and financial commitment.

“Access equals influence,” he said. “If we want a seat at the table when healthcare policy is shaped, we must be willing to invest in relationships.”

## Defending physician-led healthcare

As healthcare systems consolidate and corporate governance models expand, the CEO said the OOA remains firmly committed to physician-led healthcare.

“This is not about turf,” he said. “It is about protecting patient safety, clinical standards and the integrity of medical decision-making.”

He added that both employed and independent physicians face pressures in the current environment and benefit from a unified professional voice.

## Unity across the profession

The CEO called for solidarity among urban and rural physicians, specialists and primary care doctors, and early-career and senior practitioners.

“Different practice settings face different challenges, but our professional interests are aligned,” he said. “We are stronger together.”

## Investing in the future

The CEO also highlighted the work of the Oklahoma Education Foundation of Osteopathic Medicine, which supports scholarships and initiatives to strengthen the state’s osteopathic workforce.

He said investing in medical students and young physicians is essential to maintaining access to care, particularly in rural communities.

“Today’s students are tomorrow’s leaders in osteopathic medicine,” he said. “Supporting them ensures the continued presence of DOs in every region of Oklahoma.”

## A call to action

The CEO concluded with a direct appeal to members: remain engaged, support advocacy efforts, participate in legislative events and encourage colleagues to join the association.

“The future of osteopathic medicine in Oklahoma will not be secured by accident,” he said. “It will be secured by engaged physicians who understand that protecting the profession is part of our professional responsibility.”

He added that the association remains committed to responsible stewardship of member resources and transparent governance as it advances its mission to promote physician-led healthcare across the state.

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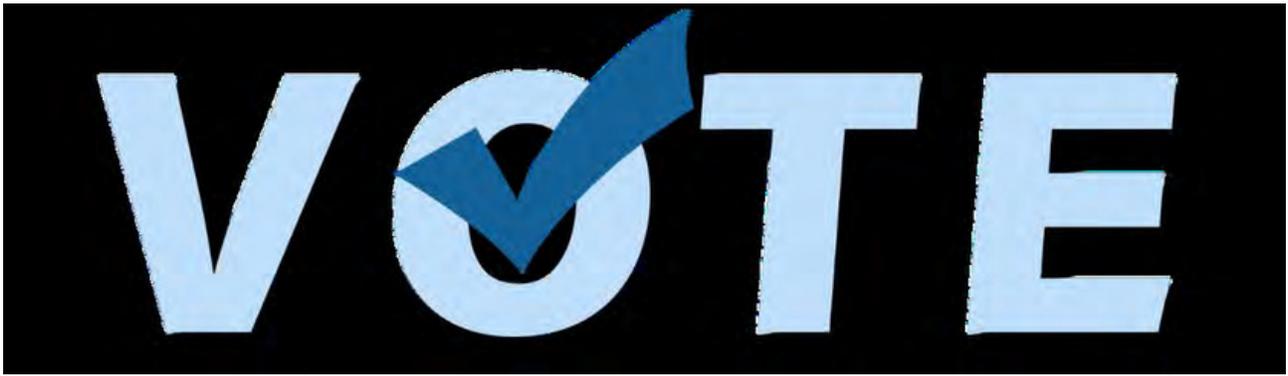
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**The following items will be voted on at the Annual Convention.**

## **By Law Change**

### **Article IV. Membership**

The membership of this Association shall consist of ~~Doctors of Osteopathy or~~ Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine and of such others as have met the requirements as prescribed by the Bylaws of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association and shall include Regular, Life, Honorary Life, Associate, Student, Resident, Fellow, Institutional, and such others as stated in the Bylaws.

### **Article VI. Board of Trustees Executive Committee and Administrative Staff**

#### Section 1. Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees of this Association shall consist of the President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Vice President, and ten (10) other members who shall be the elected Trustees. Six (6) ~~Two (2)~~ Trustees shall be elected annually by the Association to serve terms of three (3) years each. These terms will be staggered, with two three-year trustees being up for election each year. The four (4) Trustees shall be elected annually by the Association to serve terms of one (1) year each. One (1) of the one-year trustees shall be a voting resident Trustee. One (1) of the one-year trustees shall be a **non-voting** Osteopathic medical student trustee, selected by the student body of Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences, and approved by the OOA Board of Trustees. Vacancies will be filled as provided in the Bylaws. The Board shall be the administrative and executive body of the Association and perform such other duties as are provided in the Bylaws. The composition of the Board shall be a majority of osteopathic physicians.

### **Article VII. Meetings and Convention**

Section 2. Special meetings of this Association may be called by the President at his/her discretion or upon written request of at least seven (7) members of the Board of Trustees. A notice of such special meeting including the purpose for which the meeting is called must be ~~mailed or~~ electronically communicated to all regular members of the Association no less than ten (10) days nor more than sixty (60) days before such meeting. No business other than that for which the meeting was called may be transacted at the special meeting.



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## **By Law Change**

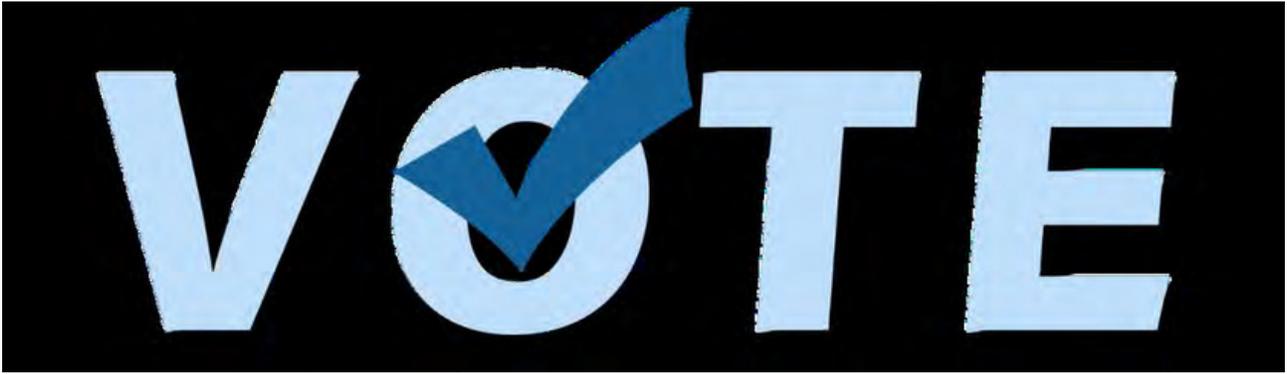
### **Article IX. Amendments**

This Constitution may be amended by this Association at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the accredited voting members in attendance at such session, provided that any proposed amendment must be approved for publication either by a district society or shall have been presented to the Board of Trustees and filed with the Executive Director and that the Executive Director shall have them published and mailed or electronically communicated to each member of the Association not less than **one two month** not more than four months prior to the session at which they are to be acted upon. Any amendment must receive written approval of the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association before it shall become effective.

### **Article I. Membership**

#### Section 1. Regular Member

An applicant for regular membership in this Association shall be a graduate of a college of osteopathic medicine approved by the American Osteopathic Associations Commission On Osteopathic College Accreditation or a graduate of an allopathic medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or a graduate of a school of medicine located outside of the United States who completed residency training in a program accredited by the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education and shall be eligible for licensure as an osteopathic or allopathic physician and/or surgeon or shall be in a training program, which is a prerequisite for licensure. An applicant is required to make application in writing for membership in the Association on the prescribed form as furnished by the Executive Director of this Association and shall present the full amount of the fee with said application **submitted electronically, reviewed by Membership Bureau and presented to the Board of Trustees for vote.** ~~which shall be signed by two members of the Association and shall be acted upon by the Board of Trustees.~~ The provisions of this section shall not be retroactive.



**The following items will be voted on at the Annual Convention.**

## By Law Change

### Section 4. Associate Member

**Associate member would be defined as those who support Osteopathic Medicine.**

~~By specific action of the Board of Trustees, associate membership may be granted to teaching, research, administrative, or executive employees of accredited osteopathic colleges or of osteopathic hospitals approved by the American Osteopathic Association, members' full-time employees, and to administrative employees of this Association or of affiliated organizations or of district societies, excepting Doctors of Osteopathy or Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine and students in osteopathic colleges. Such associate member shall be required to pay dues in an amount determined by the Board of Trustees but shall not be required to pay assessments. Associate members shall not be eligible to vote or to hold any elective office of this Association; however, they may serve as ex-officio members of committees. They may attend the annual business meeting upon the invitation of the Board of Trustees.~~

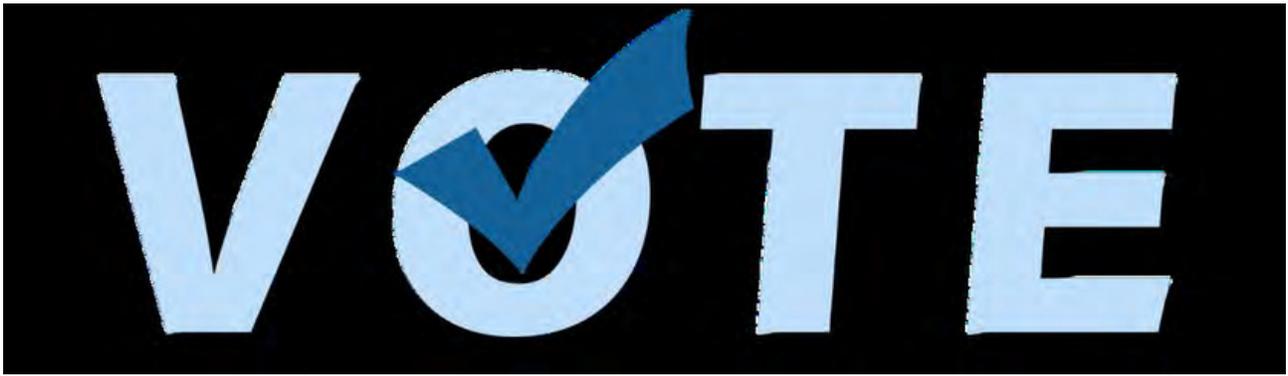
## Article IV. Elections

### Section 1. Qualifications

Membership in the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association and his or her district society shall be a requisite for qualification for any officer or for any member of any department, division, bureau, or committee of the Association, however selected, if the candidate is a **Doctor of Osteopathy or** Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine.

### Section 4. American Osteopathic Association House of Delegates

(b) Alternate Delegates: The Association shall also elect alternates to represent the Association in the House of Delegates, to serve only in the absence or inability of the regular delegates to function. The alternate delegates **may** ~~shall~~ be of the same number as the delegates. ~~and shall be elected as alternate 1, alternate 2, alternate 3, etc., and the qualifications for their election shall be the same as that of the delegates.~~ Alternates **1** shall serve in the absence of any delegate unable to attend the convention. ~~and the other alternates shall serve in a like manner. Alternates shall serve in their numerical order of election.~~



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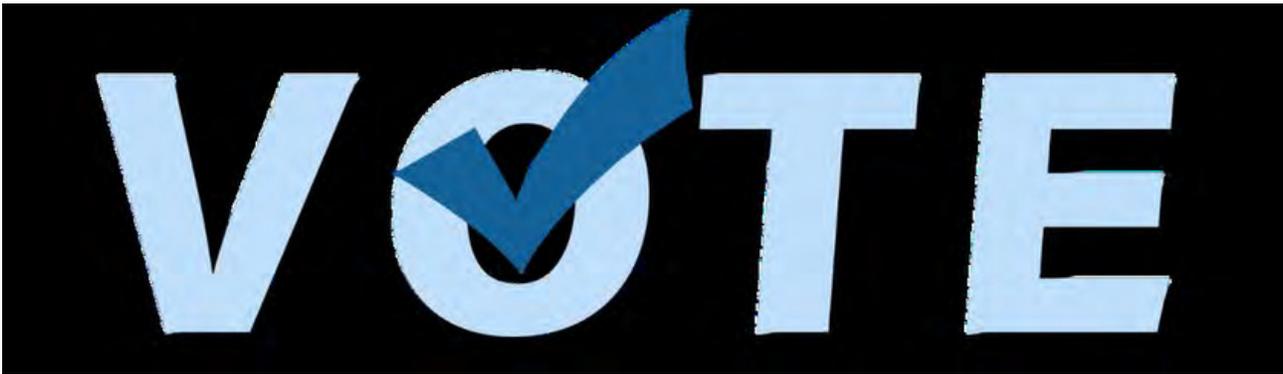
### **Article VI. Duties of Officers**

#### Section 1. President

The President shall be the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Committee and shall perform the duties usually pertaining to his or her office. He or she shall **appoint nominate** ~~subject to approval by the Board of Trustees~~, all ~~appointive~~ officers and chair of departments, bureaus, and committees, unless otherwise specified in the Bylaws or by the Board of Trustees. Reference should be made to the Administrative Guide for further details.

### **Article IX. Amendments**

These Bylaws may be amended by this Association at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the accredited voting members in attendance at such session, provided that any proposed amendment must be approved for publication either by a district society or by the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association and that such amendments shall have been presented to the Board of Trustees and filed with the Executive Director and that the Executive Director shall have them published ~~and mailed or~~ electronically communicated to each member of the Association not less than **(1)** months nor more than four (4) months prior to the session at which they are to be acted upon. Any amendment must receive written approval of the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association before it shall become effective.



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## **OOA Board Nominations**

- Dr. Douglas Nolan - Immediate Past-President.
- Dr. Christopher Thurman - President.
- Dr. Teresa Hardesty - President-Elect.
- Dr. Amanda Foster - Vice President.
- Dr. Ryan Oden- nominated for a three-year term ending in 2029.
- Dr. Mark Callery is nominated to a three-year term ending in 2029.
- Dr. Jason Regan- nominated for a one-year term ending in 2027, replacing Ashton Clayborn, D.O.
- Dr. Chelsey Gilbertson - nominated for a one-year term ending 2027, to replace Jonathan Stone, D.O.

## **2026 House of Delegates Nominations**

- Dr. Christopher Thurman, D.O President Elect
- Dr. Teresa Hardesty, D.O.
- Dr. LeRoy Young, D.O.
- Dr. Amanda Foster, D.O.
- Dr. Doug Nolan, D.O.
- Dr. Mark Keuchel, D.O.
- Dr. Mark Callery, D.O.
- Dr. Jeanette Kelley, D.O.
- Dr. Mercedes Bernard, D.O.
- Dr. Jonathan Stone, D.O.
- Dr. Layne Subera, D.O.
- Dr. Dennis Blankenship, D.O.
- Dr. Duane Koehler
- Dr. Natasha Bray

## **2026 House of Delegates Nominations Alternates**

- Kalli Reimer, D.O.
- Ryan Oden, D.O.
- Chelsea Gilbertson, D.O.
- Jason Regan, D.O.
- Jonathan Bushman, D.O.
- Bret Langerman, D.O.
- Jason Hill, D.O

- Ronnie Martin, D.O.
- Haley Hudson, D.O.
- Arlen Foulks, D.O.
- Cheryl Kroeker, D.O.
- Sherrita Polk, D.O.
- Zack Fowler, D.O.
- Janelle Johnson, D.O.

Additional Alternates if needed: Frank Oaks Jr, D.O., Chad Owens, D.O., Sheila Simpson, D.O.



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Dear OOA Member:

As Chairman of the OOA-PAC. I would like to thank each of you who have contributed to the OOA Political Action Committee (PAC) in the past.

The 2026 Oklahoma Legislative Session begins on the second Monday in February and ends on the last Friday in May. It is important that we, as a profession, continue to be active in the legislative process and in the election of officials who will be making decisions affecting the delivery of quality healthcare and your ability to practice as an osteopathic physician in the state of Oklahoma.

As a member of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association, the OOA-PAC Committee would like to challenge each and every one of you to continue to show your support for Oklahoma's osteopathic community by supporting the OOA-PAC. Your contributions do make a difference! Your name and contributor designation will appear in the next OOA - PAC Roll Of Honor to be published in the OOA Journal. **CONTRIBUTE NOW! OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS TO RAISE \$100,000!**

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# Psychologists prescribing medications is NOT the answer to Oklahoma's mental health battle

***Dr. Sara Coffey is the Chair of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at OSU Center for Health Sciences.***

Whether our Osteopathic physicians are practicing in rural or urban settings, the need for mental health services for their patients continues to grow. The reality is as much of 80% of psychiatric illness is diagnosed and treated in the primary care setting. Our physician colleagues tell us that often the wait times, travel times and stigma can be significant barriers to accessing care.

OSUCHS department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences is privileged to help educate the next generation of physician psychiatrists; helping to ensure all Oklahomans have access to quality, evidence based psychiatric and addiction medicine care.



Our psychiatry and addiction medicine clinics do our best reduce these barriers; however, many patients want to receive their mental health care in their primary care office. When our patients are struggling with depression, anxiety and substance use not only is their mental health of concern but physical ailments like diabetes, and heart disease can be impacted as well.

With these growing demands in mind and a continued desire to receive quality, evidence-based care in the primary care setting we are excited to offer on-demand support for busy primary care providers to both bridge the gap and meet the need of their patients with our innovated Statewide Psychiatry Access, resource and Knowledge line SPARK!

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Additionally, when our primary care colleagues are able to provide the most up to date, evidence based mental health care in the primary care setting the help extends beyond the initial consultation. When our physicians call back for further consultation they often tell us their comfort with certain diagnosis and medications has increased. The initial call might help with a specific patient; but it transforms the capacity to care for other patients with similar presentations. What SPARK also offers is increased access to care for more complex patients. When we increase capacity for patients to be cared for in the primary care setting, we free up our psychiatrists to diagnosis and treat patients with the most complex and pressing psychiatric needs; reducing wait times and ensuring all Oklahomans receive the right care at the right time.



# Member News



## **Dr. Hardesty elected to the Board of Trustees for The American Osteopathic Association**

On Sunday, July 20, 2025, Dr. Teresa Hardesty was elected third vice chair of the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association.

Hardesty, a member of the Board of Trustees for the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association, will represent Oklahoma and the state association at the national level in her new leadership role.

Her election places an Oklahoma physician in a key position within the national organization, which represents osteopathic physicians across the country. Leaders said her service will strengthen the state's voice in national discussions affecting the profession and patient care.

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## EXHIBITING

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### Annual Convention:

Held in April at the OKANA in Oklahoma City, this convention draws between 300-400 physicians across the United States both in-person and virtually. Choose from various booth options which will be set up in the dining and beverage area of the convention providing opportunities to connect with attendees. Convention includes four hours of exclusive, non-competing exhibit hours.



## What is FOOA?

The Friends of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association is a membership association for the spouses, relatives,

and loved ones of OOA Physician, Resident, and Medical Student members. The Mission of FOOA is to promote awareness of and support the Osteopathic Profession within Oklahoma through collaboration, education, and community.

Formed in 2021, FOOA strives to offer a home for the loved ones of OOA members.

FOOA members coordinate community events, participate in OOA activities, and share resources and support within the organization. Use the QR code to learn more about FOOA and explore what this organization has to offer.



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Oklahoma stands at a critical juncture in the fight against substance use disorders. While recent CDC data show a welcome 41 percent decline in drug overdose deaths statewide between 2024 and 2025, a convergence of state budget turmoil and federal funding uncertainty threatens to erode the very infrastructure that made those gains possible. For osteopathic physicians—particularly those of us in primary care serving rural communities—the message is clear: we must be prepared to step into an expanding gap in care.

In 2025, the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) disclosed a \$30 million budget shortfall, triggering the cancellation or reduction of more than 430 contract line items representing over \$40 million in services. Providers across the state face difficult decisions about whether to maintain or shut down service lines, and smaller organizations dependent on state funding may close entirely. Recovery housing beds, peer support programs, and rural recovery services are among the casualties. Meanwhile, at the federal level, SAMHSA—which has directed nearly \$750 million to Oklahoma over the past five years—faces proposed cuts approaching \$1 billion nationally, with Oklahoma potentially losing 39 percent of its federal behavioral health funding. The proposed consolidation of the mental health, substance use, and State Opioid Response block grants into a single reduced grant could compound these losses.

Adding further urgency, Oklahoma's landmark harm reduction law, SB 511, is set to expire in July 2026 after legislative efforts to extend it stalled. In just three years, harm reduction organizations operating under that law have reported over 1,000 overdose reversals and served nearly 9,000 clients. Its expiration would dismantle a proven lifeline.

These developments arrive against a backdrop of persistent need. In Tulsa County alone, an estimated 100,000 residents have a substance use disorder, yet roughly 77 percent of those needing treatment do not receive it. Methamphetamine remains involved in two of every three overdose deaths in Oklahoma, and fentanyl accounts for 86 percent of opioid-related fatalities. While the overall numbers are improving, the drugs on our streets remain extraordinarily lethal.

Osteopathic physicians are uniquely positioned to respond. Our training emphasizes treating the whole person—body, mind, and spirit—which is precisely the framework that patients with substance use disorders need. Since the elimination of the X-waiver requirement in January 2023, any practitioner with a standard DEA registration and Schedule III authority may prescribe buprenorphine for opioid use disorder—no special waiver, no patient cap. Yet nationally, while the number of buprenorphine prescribers has grown, the number of patients actually initiating treatment has increased only modestly. In rural Oklahoma, 56 percent of counties still lack a single buprenorphine prescriber. We have the legal authority; what we need now is the clinical will.

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As economic pressures mount and treatment infrastructure contracts, osteopathic physicians should anticipate an uptick in patients presenting with unaddressed substance use disorders. Be vigilant for the warning signs: unexplained weight loss, frequent emergency department visits, social withdrawal, financial instability, and requests for early refills of controlled substances. Screen routinely with validated tools such as the CAGE-AID or the single-question screen recommended by NIDA. Most importantly, approach these patients without stigma—they are our neighbors, and they deserve evidence-based care.

Oklahoma's osteopathic physicians have always risen to meet the needs of their communities. The current landscape demands that we do so again—by integrating substance use disorder treatment into our practices, advocating for sustained funding, and refusing to let hard-won progress slip away.

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