



Report of the President

From: Ken Kronhaus, MD - President

To: NJAFP House of Delegates

Thank you for being here, for making the time, and for showing up for this organization and for our specialty.

As we get started, I'll keep this reflection brief.

Serving this academy's president has been an honor. It's also helped clarify my view of where we are right now as a specialty—and where the pressure points really are.

We've spent a lot of time this past year focused on issues that are not theoretical.

- Scope of practice.
- Access to care.
- Regulatory enforcement.
- And the ongoing challenge of sustaining physician-led primary care.

These aren't policy conversations happening in the background—they're showing up in our offices every day. And if there's one thing I've seen solidified, it's this—

Primary care is not “simple care.”

It is the broadest, most complex field in medicine. And yet, too often, it's treated as interchangeable—something that can be easily substituted, simplified, or fragmented.

We know that assumption is wrong. And we're seeing the consequences of it.

We've seen policies that prioritize access without always ensuring quality.

We've seen how variability in training and oversight of our non-physician colleagues may create real risk for patients.

And we've seen a system that continues to undervalue the depth and scope of what we do.

At the same time, we've also seen something else—

We've seen this organization step up. We've engaged. We've advocated.

And we've made it clear that family medicine will have a voice in these conversations.

That work matters. And it will continue.

On a more personal note—

I want to thank everyone for their support over the past year. This role is only as effective as the people behind it—and this group has been engaged, thoughtful, and committed.

I also want to recognize our staff, our board, and our committees. They are the ones who carry the day-to-day work of this Academy, and they do it at a very high level.



And I want to thank my family—especially my wife, Kelly—for her constant support and for everything she contributes to this organization and to family medicine.

I'll close with this—

Family medicine is not just part of the healthcare system. It is the foundation of it.

Not the easiest part—the most complex.

Not the narrowest—the broadest.

And the decisions we make here—how we advocate, how we define our role, how we hold the line on quality—those decisions matter.

They matter for our patients.

They matter for our profession.

And they matter for the future of healthcare.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President