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Ohio Academy of Family Physicians Installs 2011-12 President-Elect

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)—Ratna K. Palakodeti, M.D., F.A.A.F.P. of Beavercreek, Ohio, was installed as the 2011-12 president-elect of Ohio Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP) on Aug. 6 during OAFP's Annual Dinner at its Members Assembly at Marriott Columbus Northwest, Dublin, Ohio.

Palakodeti has been an active member of OAFP and American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) since 1991. He has served in numerous positions on the executive committee including speaker for two years, vice president for one year, district director for two years and alternate district director for one year. Palakodeti has also served on many OAFP committees including, but not limited to, bylaws, legislation and advocacy, practice transformation, special constituencies, national action, communications and Ohio Academy of Family Physicians Foundation (OAFP/F). He has been an active member of Miami Valley Academy of Family Physicians (MVAFP) since 1991 serving as its president in 2004. He was also the MVAFP Physician of the Year in 2008.

Palakodeti currently practices family medicine at First Care Family Medical in Beavercreek.

He received his M.D. degree from Andhra Medical College, Andhra University in Visakhapatnam, India, in 1974 and completed his residency at MetroHealth Medical Center in Cleveland in 1990.

Palakodeti resides with his family in Beavercreek.

The Ohio Academy of Family Physicians is a statewide, professional association with more than 4,100 members, including practicing family physicians, family medicine residents and medical students. The scope of family medicine encompasses all ages, both sexes and every disease entity. Family physicians provide comprehensive, continuing care to all members of the family. For more information, visit www.ohioafp.org.

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Editor's Note: To request a photo of Palakodeti, please send an e-mail with resolution requirements to msmith@ohioafp.org.