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Christina Kelly, MD, receives leadership award

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS — Christina Kelly, MD, of Harker Heights, Texas, was awarded the 2015 Special Constituency Leadership Award by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians during the organization's 2015 Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in The Woodlands on Nov. 14.

This award was established by the Section on Special Constituencies and honors an outstanding TAFP member who is a strong advocate for a specific special constituency or, as a member of a specific constituency, has served as an outstanding leader. The five special constituencies are women, minority, international medical graduates, GLBT, and new physicians.

Kelly is faculty at the Family Medicine Residency program at Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center in Fort Hood, Texas. She has been active in AAFP since her time as a medical student and after moving to Texas in 2011, immediately got involved with TAFP's committees and commissions. She has been active in AAFP through multiple states since her time as a medical student, serving as both a student and a resident on the national level for various things.

After serving the National Conference of Special Constituencies as new physician co-convener, she was elected convener for the newly renamed National Conference of Constituency Leaders. She currently chairs the Academy's Bylaws Committee and is a member on numerous commissions and committees. She also previously served on AAFP's Commission on Membership and Member Services.

Kelly received her medical degree from The Ohio State University College of Medicine and Public Health, and completed a family medicine residency and a rural health and obstetrics fellowship in Tacoma, Washington.

Family physicians like Kelly are qualified to work in all major medical areas and trained to treat more than 90 percent 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.