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## ACOI Announces New President

Robert L. DiGiovanni, DO, FACOI Named Organization's 79th President

## **News For Immediate Release**

ROCKVILLE, MD (November 12, 2021) – The American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI), celebrating its 80<sup>th</sup> year as a national professional organization dedicated to promoting the principles of osteopathic medicine, announces the appointment of Robert L. DiGiovanni, DO, FACOI, FACR, as President for 2021-2022. Dr. DiGiovanni will serve as ACOI's President for a one-year term after serving several years as an Executive Board member. He has been a member of the ACOI for over 30 years and earned the distinction of Fellow (FACOI) in 1994.

Board certified and licensed in both Internal Medicine and Rheumatology by the American Osteopathic Board of Medicine, Dr. DiGiovanni serves as Rheumatology Program Director for Largo Medical Center in Largo, Florida and is on staff at Suncoast Internal Medicine Consultants. Dr. DiGiovanni has practiced since 1987 after graduating from the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, MO in 1982 and completing his subsequent internal medicine residency at Sun Coast Hospital in Largo Florida in 1985, and his rheumatology fellowship at the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center in Tucson, Arizona in 1987. Dr. DiGiovanni is a national lecturer on rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, spondyloarthritis, and vasculitis, among other topics.

"For decades, Dr. DiGiovanni has demonstrated his commitment to the ACOI, to his peers, his field, and his community as a leading osteopathic internist and rheumatologist. He has been instrumental in shaping the ACOI to promote our values based in Principle-Centered Medicine," said ACOI Executive Director, Karen C. Caruth, MBA. "With his experience, leadership, and guidance, we look forward to a year of growth and inspiration as physicians continue to navigate the rapidly-changing landscape of healthcare."

"I have a long history with the ACOI and am extremely proud to lead the association in 2022. We are uniquely positioned to support our members going forward through these challenging times as not only an organization that builds leadership, but also one that embraces a sense of community that provides physicians with a place to call home in a way that truly embodies why they pursued internal medicine in the first place," Dr. DiGiovanni said.

## About the ACOI

Since 1941, the American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI) has been dedicated to promoting high quality, distinctive osteopathic care for adults by practicing, educating and empowering physicians in Principle-Centered Medicine. The ACOI demonstrates leadership as an organization providing osteopathic internists with education, forward-thinking information and opportunities for service to the profession to advance the practice of internal medicine and seeks to be the organization that osteopathic internists think of first for education, information, representation, and service to the profession. For more information go to www.acoi.org.

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