



### **Friends of Family Medicine Candidate Recognition Policy**

The "Friends of Family Medicine Candidate Recognition Policy" is a way to recognize legislators who exemplify and are committed to the WAFP's mission of promoting excellence in health care and improving the health of the people of Wisconsin through the advancement of Family Medicine. It's not a process by which candidates are endorsed by the WAFP. This list will be created by taking into consideration a number of factors including, but not limited to:

- Voting record on issues important to WAFP
- Leadership status within legislature
- Committee membership
- Response to candidate survey
- Bills authored or co-sponsored
- Responsiveness to WAFP and its issues

The WAFP lobbying consultants will create a list of recommended legislators to be eligible for the "Friends of Family Medicine" designation.

Recommendations are forwarded to the Executive Director and the chairs of the Legislative Committee. After consultation with the WAFP lobbyists, recommendations are forwarded to the full Legislative Committee for recommendation to the WAFP Board.

Upon final approval, WAFP will contact successful candidates informing them of the designation, as well as issue a press release.

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