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Christiana Care Health System's Dr. Brian J. Galinat Appointed to Board of American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons

(WILMINGTON, Del. – March 3) Brian J. Galinat, M.D., MBA, chair of [Christiana Care Health System](#)'s Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, was appointed to the Board of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons at the surgical society's annual meeting in Orlando, Fla.

"I am thankful to be selected to the Board and am excited by the opportunity to help our Academy in this role," said Dr. Galinat, who is the first Delaware doctor to be on the Academy's Board. "I look forward to more widely sharing the successes we have had at Christiana Care which are a direct result of the cooperative collaboration that has been established with our private practice orthopaedic surgeons. Further, I will be able to bring innovative ideas back to our community so that we can advance our ongoing focus of helping our patients maintain an active, healthy lifestyle."

Many orthopaedic surgeons consider service on the Academy's Board to be the pinnacle of their careers. Dr. Galinat will serve as a member at large and represent the views of orthopaedic surgeons who are 45 years of age or more, given his reputation, according to the Academy, as a "well-qualified, seasoned orthopaedic surgeon in practice." Christiana Care's Department of Orthopaedic Surgery performs more than 7,500 orthopaedic procedures each year.

Representing more than 39,000 orthopaedic surgeons worldwide, the Academy provides education on musculoskeletal issues to patients and physicians around the world and advances the quality of orthopaedic care to patients in the United States.

"We are pleased that an individual of Dr. Galinat's qualifications has been elected to serve on the AAOS Board of Directors," said Gerald R. Williams, Jr., M.D., the 2016-2017 Academy president. "Over the years, he has volunteered with the Academy in a multitude of capacities, including the Board of Councilors. With the MBA degree he recently earned from Wharton, Dr. Galinat will be able to soundly add to the greater discussion about the business of medicine. We

look forward in the years ahead for his contributions regarding all aspects of orthopaedic practice.”

Dr. Galinat did his orthopaedic residency at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and completed a shoulder/sports-medicine fellowship at The Hospital for Special Surgery. He received his Master of Business Administration at Wharton University of Pennsylvania in 2014, earning the Dean's Spirit Award. He has been in practice in Delaware since 1989 and now specializes in shoulder surgery. He is an associate member of the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons Society. He was team doctor for the Wilmington Blue Rocks from 1993 to 2006 and a team doctor for U.S. Soccer from 1991 to 2005.

He became chief of the Section of Orthopaedic Surgery at Christiana Care in 2004 and helped establish the independent Department of Orthopaedic Surgery in 2011.

He was elected to the Board of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons for 2016 to 2018. He is the past Delaware representative to the Board of Councilors of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and served on the Academy's Coding, Coverage and Reimbursement Committee.

About Christiana Care Health System

Christiana Care Health System is one of the country's largest health care systems, ranking as the 22nd leading hospital in the nation and 12th on the East Coast in terms of admissions. The health system includes The Medical Group of Christiana Care, a network of primary care physicians, medical and surgical specialists as well as home health care, preventive medicine, rehabilitation services and patient/family advisors for core health care services. A not-for-profit teaching hospital affiliated with Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University, Christiana Care is recognized as a regional center for excellence in cardiology, cancer and women's health services. Christiana Care has an extensive range of outpatient services, and through Christiana Care Quality Partners, Christiana Care works closely with its medical staff to achieve better health, better access to care and lower cost. Christiana Care is home to Delaware's only Level I trauma center, the highest capability center and the only one of its kind between Philadelphia and Baltimore. Christiana Care features a Level III neonatal intensive care unit, the only delivering hospital in Delaware that offers this highest level of care to the most critically ill newborns. Christiana Care includes two hospitals with 1,100 patient beds.

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