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## David Galbis-Reig, MD, DFASAM receives Wisconsin Medical Society Presidential Citation

Madison, WI — The Wisconsin Medical Society (WisMed) is pleased to present David Galbis-Reig, MD, DFASAM the Presidential Citation Award. WisMed's President has the privilege of presenting a Presidential Citation to a physician or non-physician who has made a significant contribution to medicine or public health.



Dr. Galbis-Reig received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia in 1999 and completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Aurora Sinai Medical Center in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 2004. He is board certified and involved in Maintenance of Certification in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine and in the sub-specialty of Addiction Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine.

As the Medical Director of Addiction Services at Ascension All Saints Hospital, he has passionately advocated for appropriate medical treatment of patients with mental health and addictive diseases for the past 20 years. He is the Medical Director of Addiction Services at Racine

County Behavioral Health Services and the Kenosha KARE Center. He is a Past President of the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine (WISAM) and the Wisconsin Medical Society Foundation.

"Dr. Galbis-Reig's compassionate care and unwavering commitment to his patients who struggle with addiction has transformed the lives of countless individuals in our community," said Kristin McManmon, Ascension All Saints Hospital President. "This recognition is a testament to his dedication, expertise and tireless efforts in addressing one of the most pressing public health challenges of our time. We are grateful for his outstanding contributions to Ascension Wisconsin and the positive impact he's had in the community."

Dr. Galbis-Reig led WISAM to partner with DHS to expand the availability of providers who can treat opioid use disorder by providing twelve buprenorphine trainings throughout Wisconsin between 2019 and 2021. He is an active member of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) where he serves as the Chair of the Distinguished Fellows Committee and is the Chair for the BEST Study Tool Subcommittee. He has contributed to policy decisions in the state as a former member of the Wisconsin Marijuana Prevention Ad-Hoc Committee of the State Council

on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (SCAODA). He is a current Board Member of the HOPE Council in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

He is the current Medical Director for the Ascension All Saints Women of Worth Intensive Outpatient Program. Women of Worth is a donor funded, family-centered substance abuse treatment program in Racine and Kenosha counties designed specifically for women. Dr. Galbis-Reig's commitment to the program and his relationship with its donors has inspired over \$500,000 in donor contributions toward Addiction Service at Ascension All Saints.

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