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LECOM BRADENTON ASSOCIATE DEAN OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS ROBERT GEORGE, DO RECEIVES FOMA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Tallahassee, FL – Robert George, DO, of Bradenton, Florida, received the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association (FOMA) during its 2017 Annual Convention held February 22-26, 2017, in Weston, Florida. A crowd of more than 900 osteopathic physicians, healthcare professionals, and students attended the Convention.

The FOMA Lifetime Achievement Award has been presented to an osteopathic physician who has made a significant contribution to the osteopathic community in Florida over the span of his/her lifetime and carved a path for osteopathic physicians nationwide. Dr. George received this award in recognition and appreciation of his devotion as a leader, physician, educator, mentor and osteopathic visionary, and for his lifelong commitment to provide quality healthcare to the patients of Florida and to the osteopathic profession.

After receiving his DO degree from Kansas City, he returned to Ohio for training in Family Medicine and Emergency Medicine. In 1976, he became the Medical Director of Cuyahoga Falls General Hospital and subsequently the Director of Medical Education. He continued to work in the post-doctoral field for thirty years, and then was given the opportunity to become the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) in Bradenton, Florida, a position he has held since founding one of the first branch medical college campuses in the country. Under his leadership, more than 1400 DOs have graduated from LECOM Bradenton with many of them remaining in Florida following graduation.

Dr. George is a past president of the American College of Osteopathic Physicians (ACOFP). He has won several awards including the ACOFP Physician of the Year Award and the ACOFP Lifetime Achievement Award and the American Osteopathic Association's Pioneer in Osteopathic Medicine Award.

The Florida Osteopathic Medical Association (FOMA) is the state association for osteopathic physicians in Florida and has been serving osteopathic physicians since 1904. The FOMA was organized for the purposes of advancing the science and art of osteopathic medicine; extending the benefits of scientific advancement to the treatment, prevention, and alleviation of human ailments; and promoting closer relationships between the osteopathic profession, FOMA members, and other groups dedicated to improved health care. ###

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