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**Kristy L. Weber, MD, named first vice president of the
American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons**

NEW ORLEANS, La. (March 9, 2018) – Philadelphia orthopaedic surgeon Kristy L. Weber, MD, became first vice president of the [American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons](http://www.aaos.org) (AAOS) Board of Directors today at the organization’s 2018 Annual Meeting. The new role is the second in a four-year term of volunteer service with Dr. Weber serving as the first female president of the Academy in 2019-20.

Dr. Weber is the chief of orthopaedic oncology in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, and director of the Sarcoma Program in Penn’s Abramson Cancer Center. Dr. Weber specializes in diagnosing and treating adults, adolescents and children with bone and soft tissue tumors, and she focuses on complex limb salvage techniques around the hip, knee, shoulder and pelvis.

“It is an honor and a privilege to continue serving in a leadership capacity for AAOS,” said Dr. Weber. “My colleagues and I treat patients every day with musculoskeletal conditions amidst a sea of new rules and regulations. I will continue to work tirelessly to help unify and collectively unite our voices in both quality and advocacy issues to ensure that we all can continue to provide the highest quality of care to our patients.”

Originally from St. Louis, Dr. Weber earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science (Pre-Vet) and graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She earned her medical degree from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in Baltimore. Dr. Weber completed her orthopaedic residency training at the University of Iowa in Iowa City and a two-year research/clinical fellowship in orthopaedic oncology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

Dr. Weber started her career as a faculty member at the University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center where she created a large clinical practice in orthopaedic oncology and developed a basic science research program related to osteosarcoma metastasis to lung and to renal cell carcinoma metastasis to bone. She then became the Virginia & William Percy professor of orthopaedic surgery and oncology at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, where she also served as the division chief of orthopaedic oncology and the director of the Sarcoma Program.

In 2006, Dr. Weber received the Kappa Delta Elizabeth Winston Lanier Award for her research in metastatic bone disease, and her continued research initiatives have greatly contributed to the understanding of this disease. Dr. Weber was recruited to the University of Pennsylvania Department of Orthopaedic Surgery in 2013.

For more than 16 years, Dr. Weber has held numerous leadership roles to help advance the orthopaedic profession. She chaired the AAOS Council on Research and Quality for four years and served on the AAOS Board of Directors. Dr. Weber has also served on the Boards of the American Orthopaedic Association, Orthopaedic Research Society, Musculoskeletal Tumor Society, Ruth Jackson Orthopaedic Society, and the Connective Tissue Oncology Society. She served as the president of the Maryland Orthopaedic Association in 2009.

[Read more about Dr. Weber](#)

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