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## **ASGE ANNOUNCES ITS 2016-2017 GOVERNING BOARD**

**DOWNERS GROVE, Ill. – June 29, 2016** – The American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) announces its 2016-2017 Governing Board. The appointees began their service effective May 20, 2016. Outgoing President Douglas O. Faigel, MD, FASGE, of Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale, Ariz., turned over the presidency to Kenneth R. McQuaid, MD, FASGE, of University of California, San Francisco, during the ASGE Governing Board Meeting held at Digestive Disease Week® in San Diego, Calif. His term will run through May 2017.

Dr. McQuaid became an ASGE member in 1994 and a Fellow in 2006. He has served as Associate Editor of *Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*, Chairperson of the Postgraduate Education Committee, and Secretary of the Governing Board as well as several committees and task forces. He has been a member of the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) gastroenterology faculty since 1992, where he currently is Professor of Medicine, Marvin H. Sleisenger Endowed Chair, and Vice-Chairman of the UCSF Department of Medicine. He is Chief of Medical Services and Gastroenterology at the San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

“For the past 75 years, the ASGE has been the worldwide leader in advancing patient care by promoting quality, innovation, education and research in endoscopy. Thanks to our visionary and dedicated leaders, committee members and staff, the future of endoscopy has never looked brighter. I am humbled and honored to be asked to lead this amazing group of people.”

Dr. McQuaid will prioritize continued support to ASGE members as they navigate the ever-changing healthcare landscape through the organization’s practice management tools and advocacy efforts. In support of the ASGE’s Association for Bariatric Endoscopy (ABE), a summit meeting is planned in November 2016 that will bring together key stakeholders and thought leaders in obesity management. He will also promote the ASGE’s *Beyond Our Walls* Capital Campaign to further enhance the ability to deliver cutting-edge educational offerings and hands-on courses within and outside of the IT&T Center. He also will continue ASGE’s mission to promote patient safety and to ensure that everyone receives age-appropriate colorectal cancer screening, which has the potential to save tens of thousands of lives every year.

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## **ASGE 2016-2017 Governing Board**

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## **About the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy**

Since its founding in 1941, the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) has been dedicated to advancing patient care and digestive health by promoting excellence and innovation in gastrointestinal endoscopy. ASGE, with more than 14,000 members worldwide, promotes the highest standards for endoscopic training and practice, fosters endoscopic research, recognizes distinguished contributions to endoscopy, and is the foremost resource for endoscopic education. Visit [www.asge.org](http://www.asge.org) and [www.screen4coloncancer.org](http://www.screen4coloncancer.org) for more information and to find a qualified doctor in your area.

## **About Endoscopy**

Endoscopy is performed by specially-trained physicians called endoscopists using the most current technology to diagnose and treat diseases of the gastrointestinal tract. Using flexible, thin tubes called endoscopes, endoscopists are able to access the human digestive tract without incisions via natural orifices. Endoscopes are designed with high-intensity lighting and fitted with precision devices that allow viewing and treatment of the gastrointestinal system.