

Weber Named President-Elect of the ACAAI

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DENVER — Richard Weber, MD, Professor of Medicine at National Jewish Health, has been named President-Elect of the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (ACAAI). Dr. Weber will serve as President of ACAAI for one year beginning November 2012.

“This is a tremendous honor for me both professionally and personally,” said Dr. Weber. “Being named President-Elect is the culmination of a career working in allergy and immunology treatment and research.”

The ACAAI is a professional association of 5,500 allergists/immunologists and allied health professionals. Established in 1942, the College is dedicated to improving the quality of patient care in allergy and immunology through research, advocacy and professional and public education.

Dr. Weber previously served as Vice President, Secretary and sat on the Board of Regents for ACAAI. He has served on several ACAAI committees, including the Scientific Council and the Task Force on Practice Guidelines. The College recognized him with the ACAAI Distinguished Fellow Award in 2003; the Distinguished Service Award in 2008, and the Bela Schick lectureship in 2002.

Dr. Weber has a particular interest in pollens associated with allergies. He has been chair of the ACAAI's Aerobiology Committee all but four of the past 25 years and has been program director of the Aeroallergen Identification Workshop since 1985. His photos of allergen-producing plants and accompanying essays grace the covers of the journal *Annals of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology*, of which he is associate editor. His research has focused on pollen allergies and immunotherapy.

Dr. Weber is also a leading expert on desensitization of aspirin-allergic asthma patients.

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