



The Florida Academy of **PAIN MEDICINE**

FAPM HIRES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Florida Academy of Pain Medicine has hired Shawn Foster as their new Executive Director. He replaces Kenneth Webster, Ed.D. who has retired after ten years with the Academy.

Shawn has assisted several state associations in the past 10 years. He served as Executive Assistant to the Florida Academy of Pain Medicine during one of their Annual Meetings and was the exhibit coordinator. Shawn has also been a consultant for the Florida Blueberry Growers Association, Florida Blueberry Festival Association, Florida Association of Local Housing Finance Authorities, Florida Solar Energy Industries Association, the Florida Schools Boards Association, and the Florida Bail Agents Association.

Shawn has worked with and represented the Florida Bail Agents Association (FBAA) for the past seven years. During his tenure helping the FBAA and other various associations, Shawn generally works and assists on issues ranging from legislative lobbying to association development and growth. During his time with the FBAA, Shawn has continually assisted the President, the Board, and the Association as a whole to advance association growth, coordinate quarterly meetings and securing speakers, marketing and membership expansion, obtaining sponsorships and fundraising, and providing counsel on association business. There are very few issues that would arise that Shawn has not had some experience with.

Shawn graduated from the University of South Florida and then served in the United States Air Force. He has received several honors and awards including, Legislative Consultant of the Year, Philanthropist of the Year, Honorary Governor Award and Volunteer of the Year.

Shawn Foster brought a wealth of political and government experience when starting Sunrise Consulting Group 20 years ago. Having worked inside the state and federal echelons of government for over 20 years, Shawn has built unique relationships and gained powerful knowledge to achieve successes for his clients.

Shawn served as Congressman Gus Bilirakis's District Director for six years. This experience allowed Shawn to become well acquainted with not only the numerous issues being debated in Washington, but the opportunity to become engrained in the issues facing the State of Florida.

Prior to working for Congressman Bilirakis, Shawn served as a Senior Legislative Aide for State Senator Mike Fasano. In addition to his work inside government, Shawn as an astute political background as he has managed and consulted on numerous political campaigns over the past 20 years.

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