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### **Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance Announces New Board Appointments for 2023**

**CHICAGO** (January 5, 2023) The Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance (DBSA) today announced that Roger McIntyre, MD, FRCPC, Professor of Psychiatry and Pharmacology at the University of Toronto, is the new DBSA Chairman of the Board of Directors effective January 1, 2023. Dr. McIntyre succeeds Kent Dauten who has concluded his term as board chair.

DBSA also announced that Rebecca Weinstein Bacon is the new Vice-Chair and Steve Harris, and Eileen Kamerick continue in their roles as Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

“Dr. McIntyre has been a valuable contributor to the work of DBSA and is among the most respected in the field of mood disorders,” said CEO Michael Pollock. “We are pleased to have him at the helm of DBSA and look forward to working with him for the benefit of DBSA and the people we serve.”

“All of us at DBSA are grateful to Kent Dauten for his leadership as board chair and for his continued commitment and contributions to the organization,” Pollock added.

Prior to being named Chairman of the Board, Dr. McIntyre has served DBSA as Scientific Advisory Chairman. “I have seen the benefits DBSA provides to people living with mood disorders and I am honored to continue to advance the organization’s mission to provide hope, help, support, and education to those living with these conditions, and their families and loved ones,” Dr. McIntyre said.

Taking the role as chair of the Scientific Advisory Board is Mark Frye, MD, Chair, Psychiatry and Psychology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. “We are pleased to have someone with Dr. Frye’s experience to move into this important role,” Pollock added. “Keeping apprised of the latest scientific advances in treatment of mood disorders, including depression and bipolar disorder, allows us to continue to provide the best resources available to our chapters and online communities.”

Along with the officers, DBSA also named the board members who will serve on the board executive committee, including Mike Kuhl, Altha Stewart, MD, Shlomy Kattan, and Catherine Fields, JD.

For more information about DBSA, go to [dbsalliance.org](http://dbsalliance.org).

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The Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance (DBSA) is a leading national organization focusing on mood disorders, including depression and bipolar disorder, which affects over 21 million Americans, account for over 50% of the nation’s suicides every year, and costs \$23 billion in lost workdays and other workplace losses. Through its extensive

online and print resources and nearly 400 support groups, DBSA reaches millions of people each year with in-person and online peer support.