



## **DRS. R. WAIDE WEAVER AND DAVID WRIGHT NAMED HONORARY CO-CHAIRS OF “SOUTHERN STATE OF KIND” GALA IN TAMPA**

*Sarasota, FL – July 1, 2019...* [Florida Cancer Specialists \(FCS\) Foundation](#) is proud to announce that [Florida Cancer Specialists](#) physicians, [Dr. R. Waide Weaver](#) and [Dr. David Wright](#) will serve as honorary co-chairs of its annual fundraising Gala in Tampa. This year's event, [Southern State of Kind](#) will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2019, from 6 - 11 pm at the Armature Works, 1910 North Ola Avenue, Tampa, Florida.

This year, the event theme is Southern Chic and will feature a country music band, line dancing, chance drawing for a Holland America Line® cruise, as well as live and silent auctions. All proceeds will benefit the FCS Foundation, which provides financial assistance for non-medical living expenses to qualified cancer patients who are currently undergoing treatment in Florida. Due to the generosity of the FCS physicians, 100% of donations for events such as the “Southern State of Kind” and other fundraising efforts go toward patient grants.

When asked about his role as honorary co-chair, Dr. R. Waide Weaver said, “It is inspiring to be a part of this special evening. I am truly in awe by the strength that cancer patients exhibit. Bringing an event to the community that makes a difference in the lives of patients and their families who are affected by cancer is immensely gratifying.”

Dr. David Wright added, “As an oncologist, I see the impact cancer has on patients and their families daily. It's an honor to be a co-chair for this event to raise funds that will directly benefit them. The Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation helps with everyday living expenses so that patients can concentrate on fighting cancer.”

FCS Foundation Board Chair [Dr. Michael Diaz](#) said, “Since 2012, the Foundation has continued to grow, and each year the number of cancer patients we can help has increased. Cancer patients should not have to choose between paying their rent or utilities and paying for their treatment. The Foundation's work helping patients who are undergoing cancer treatment and need financial assistance is a mission I support and believe in strongly.”

Event tickets are \$225 per person or \$2,000 for a table of 10, and include beverages, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, entertainment, and dancing. Event sponsorships are available. Gala tickets and sponsorships can be purchased on the Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation's website at [Foundation.FLCancer.com/Kind19](http://Foundation.FLCancer.com/Kind19) or by calling (941) 677.7184.

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#### **About Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation**

The [Florida Cancer Specialists \(FCS\) Foundation](http://Foundation.FLCancer.com) provides financial support to qualified adult cancer patients in the state of Florida for expenses such as rent or mortgage, car payments and utility bills. By giving patients peace of mind in knowing that their bills are being paid while they are undergoing treatment, the FCS Foundation allows them to concentrate on what really matters – fighting cancer.

Due to the generosity of the Florida Cancer Specialists physicians in covering all overhead expenses for the Foundation, 100% of donations received go directly toward paying the essential non-medical living expenses of an adult battling cancer.

The Foundation is a 501(3)(c) nonprofit organization and located at 5204 Paylor Lane in Sarasota, Florida. Learn more about the FCS Foundation at: [Foundation.FLCancer.com](http://Foundation.FLCancer.com) or call 941.677.7181.

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