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## **Javier “Jake” Margo, Jr., MD, sworn in as TAFP President**

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS — Javier “Jake” Margo, Jr., MD, FAAFP, of Rio Grande City, Texas, was sworn in as president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians during the 2019 Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in The Woodlands. Margo assumed his duties Nov. 9 at the TAFP Business and Awards Lunch.

Margo practices family medicine in his hometown of Rio Grande City, Texas. He also serves as president of both the TAFP Valley Chapter and the Hidalgo Starr County Medical Society. He is medical director of the local county hospital where he works in the emergency department and practices in the hospital’s rural clinic. He also practices in two local nursing homes and is the team physician for two area high schools.

Margo received his medical degree from Texas A&M College of Medicine and completed a residency with the John Peter Smith Family Practice Residency Program in Fort Worth, Texas.

Margo previously served as President-elect of the Academy. He is a member of the Texas Medical Association’s Border Health Caucus and Small District Caucus, as well as the Wilderness Medicine Society. As a resident, he served on the American Academy of Family Physicians’ Commission on Quality and Scope of Practice and represented Texas as a delegate to AAFP’s National Conference of Family Physician Residents.

During his year as TAFP president, Margo will work with other officers to lead the Academy: Immediate Past President and Board Chair Rebecca Hart, MD, of League City; President-elect Amer Shakil, MD, MBA, of Dallas; Treasurer Mary Nguyen, MD, of Castroville; and Parliamentarian Emily Briggs, MD, of New Braunfels.

Family physicians like Margo are qualified to work in all major medical areas and trained to treat more than 90 percent of all cases they encounter. Family physicians care for patients of all ages.

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