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Amer Shakil, MD, MBA, sworn in as TAFP President-elect

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS — Amer Shakil, MD, MBA, of Dallas, Texas, was sworn in as president-elect of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians during the 2019 Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in The Woodlands. Shakil assumed his duties Nov. 9 at the TAFP Business and Awards Lunch.

Shakil is a professor in the UT Southwestern Department of Family and Community Medicine. He previously served as chair of TAFP's Commission on Academic Affairs and currently serves on the American Academy of Family Physicians' Commission on Education. He also serves as treasure of the Dallas county chapter of TAFP and is a member of the board of directors. He remains dedicated to serving his community by assisting in the creation of faith-based free clinics.

Shakil earned his Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at Punjab University, his Medical Doctorate from the Education Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates in Philadelphia, and his Master of Business Administration in Healthcare Organization Leadership from the University of Texas at Dallas.

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

Family physicians like Shakil 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.

The Texas Academy of Family Physicians is the premier membership organization dedicated to uniting the family doctors of Texas through advocacy, education and member services, and empowering them to provide a medical home for patients of all ages. It has 33 local chapters and is a chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians. Visit www.tafp.org for more information.

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