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Tricia Elliott, MD, completes year as TAFP president

GALVESTON, TEXAS — Tricia Elliott, MD, FAAFP, of Fort Worth, Texas, served as president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians for the past year. During the 2017 Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in Galveston, she was honored and recognized for her service. Elliott passed the gavel to President-elect Janet Hurley, MD, of Whitehouse, Texas, on Nov. 11 at the TAFP Business and Awards Lunch.

Elliott is the vice president of academic affairs, chief academic officer, and designated institutional official at JPS Health Network. She was previously the director of the University of Texas Medical Branch Family Medicine Residency Program in Galveston and an associate professor for UTMB's Department of Family Medicine, where she also served as vice chair for clinical affairs. Before that, she was the program director of the Baylor College of Medicine/Kelsey-Seybold Clinic Family Medicine Residency Program in Houston.

She received her medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and she completed her family medicine residency at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, New York. She received her undergraduate education at Rice University in Houston.

During her time as TAFP President, Elliott represented the entire Academy, amplifying the voice of more than 8,000 family physicians, family medicine residents, and medical students. She established goals and objectives for the organization, and monitored and evaluated the organizational effectiveness and accomplishments of the Academy.

Family physicians like Elliott 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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