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Rebecca Hart, MD, sworn in as TAFP President

ARLINGTON, TEXAS — Rebecca Hart, MD, of League City, Texas, was sworn in as president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians during the 2018 Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in Arlington. Hart assumed her duties Nov. 10 at the TAFP Business and Awards Lunch.

Hart is a physician at South Shore Medical Center in League City, Texas, where she practices family medicine with a special interest in hormone replacement and women’s health. She is a former residency program director for the University of Texas at Houston and the University of Hawaii at Manoa, as well as associate director for the San Jacinto Methodist Hospital Family Practice Residency Program.

She received her medical degree from the University of Texas Southwestern and completed her residency at Baylor College of Medicine where she was named chief resident.

“I am so humbled, joyful and happy to begin work as your new president,” Hart said at the awards ceremony. “Thank you for electing me and giving me this opportunity to serve you. I hope you join me this year in working harder than ever to keep our profession strong, our physicians inspired, and our workforce increasing.”

Hart previously served as Treasurer of the Academy, and she chaired TAFP’s Commission on Academic Affairs, and Commission on Continuing Professional Development. She was also TAFP’s Harris County Chapter president and serves on the American Academy of Family Physicians’ Commission on Continuing Professional Development.

During her year as TAFP president-elect, Hart will work with other officers to lead the Academy: Immediate Past President and Board Chair Janet Hurley, MD, of Whitehouse; President-elect Javier “Jake” Margo, Jr., MD, of Rio Grande City; Treasurer Amer Shakil, MD, MBA, of Dallas; and Parliamentarian Mary Nguyen, MD, of Castroville.

Family physicians like Hart 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.