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Tatiana Cordova, MD, receives Exemplary Teaching Award

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS — Tatiana Cordova, MD, of San Antonio, Texas, was awarded the Texas Academy of Family Physicians Academic Exemplary Teaching Award during TAFP's Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in The Woodlands on Nov. 9. The award honors individuals with outstanding teaching skills and those who have developed and implemented innovative teaching models.

A nominator says that Cordova systematically improved the education of residents and students in maternity care using modern quality improvement methods. One former resident says that she became much more confident in her own ability to provide maternal and newborn care thanks to Cordova's patience and collaborative instruction style, including in women's health procedures.

Many nominators wrote about Cordova's kind, encouraging, and calm teaching style; her ability to inspire loyalty within the health care team; and her willingness to work to mitigate health disparities in education and health care.

Cordova is an associate professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at UT Health San Antonio, where she also practices full-scope family medicine while supervising and teaching family medicine residents and medical students. She is also the residency program's clinical director of women's services, where she offers a unique educational experience with a service that sees up to 16 complex newborns inpatient daily.

Family physicians like Cordova are qualified to work in all major medical areas and are trained to treat more than 90% 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.