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Jackson O. Griggs, MD, receives Physician Executive Award from the Texas Academy of Family Physicians

ADDISON, TEXAS — Jackson O. Griggs, MD, of Waco, Texas, was awarded the Texas Academy of Family Physicians inaugural Physician Executive Award during TAFP's Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in Addison on Nov. 15. The award was created to honor member physicians in executive leadership positions whose leadership skills in organizations have contributed to excellence in health care.

Griggs is the Chief Executive Officer of Waco Family Medicine, where he is responsible for implementing the health and business plans of Waco's federally qualified health center. He is also chair of the board of directors for the Waco Family Practice Foundation and is the board chair and vice president of the McLennan County Medical Education and Research Foundation.

His exceptional leadership and unwavering commitment to providing high-quality health care for vulnerable communities in and around Waco earned Griggs this year's award. Through his dedication and commitment as CEO, the Waco Family Medicine FQHC has expanded greatly, including a new \$65 million site.

While accepting the award, Griggs encouraged his peers in the room to become leaders in their own local communities. "I'm a believer that we need to continue to encourage family physicians who are so inclined to become leaders in the health care delivery system," Griggs said.

Family physicians like Griggs are qualified to work in all major medical areas and 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.