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Zaiba Jetpuri, DO, MBA, FAAFP, receives Exemplary Teaching Award

ADDISON, TEXAS — Zaiba Jetpuri, DO, MBA, FAAFP, of Dallas, was awarded the Texas Academy of Family Physicians Academic Exemplary Teaching Award during TAFP's Annual Session and Primary Care Summit in Addison on Nov. 15. The award honors individuals with outstanding teaching skills and those who have developed and implemented innovative teaching models.

Her many nominators, which included colleagues and former residents, wrote about Jetpuri's inclusive teaching style, always making students feel comfortable to ask questions and share their own perspectives. Many residents who have trained under her remain under her guidance well into their careers, considering her a mentor and role model. She creates a safe space for students, residents, and colleagues alike both in and out of the classroom.

Jetpuri was recently elected to UT Southwestern's Academy of Teachers, which recognizes physicians who stimulate innovation in education. She created the Family Medicine Residency Essentials Track, an innovative boot camp for fourth-year graduating medical students at UT Southwestern. Jetpuri also established the department's grand rounds for residents and co-created the department's first CME and alumni symposium.

Jetpuri is the program director and an associate professor at the UT Southwestern Family Medicine Residency Program. She is an active member of TAFP business, having served on numerous councils and committees over the years, and currently serves as vice president of the TAFP Dallas Chapter.

Family physicians like Jetpuri 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.