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VA NORTH TEXAS CHIEF OF STAFF TO HEAD NORTHERN REGION OF TEXAS ACADEMY OF INTERNAL MEDICINE

DALLAS – VA North Texas Health Care System (VANTHCS) Chief of Staff Clark R. Gregg, MD, FACP, has been elected governor-elect for the Northern Region of the Texas Academy of Internal Medicine (TAIM) (Texas Chapter of the American College of Physicians). He will begin his term as governor-elect in May 2008 at the American College of Physicians annual meeting in Washington, DC.

Dr. Gregg has served as chief of staff at VANTHCS since 2006 and is also professor of medicine (infectious diseases) at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Dr. Gregg has been a member of the TAIM board of directors 2004-2007 and serves on several of the chapter's committees including the Associates, Health and Public Policy, Membership, and Nominations committees.

Dr. Gregg attended Rice University and The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, receiving his medical degree in 1972. After service as medical officer in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War, he completed his internal medicine residency and infectious diseases fellowship at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, where he remained on the faculty until moving to Fort Worth in 1988.

In his vision statement for the election, Dr. Gregg said: "Training and retention of internists and of general internists in particular are falling short of the projected need for physician services in Texas. Energetic focus on the need to train primary care internists for

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Texas must be a key priority at both the state and national levels of ACP leadership and governmental involvement in healthcare manpower planning and funding. My career has included basic and clinical science research, front line private practice, directorship of postdoctoral training programs, and in recent years, ascending leadership of one of the largest university-affiliated Veterans Affairs health care systems. This array of experience has prepared me to appreciate and respect many facets of medical, organizational, and public policy issues in health care. I hope to apply that experience to advance the priority for internal medicine training and access to care for Texans.”

Dr. Gregg will serve as governor-elect for one year and begin the governorship for a four year term in April 2009.

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