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The LAFP Installs its 66th President

Baton Rouge, LA. – The Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) announced the installation of its 2013-2014 President, who was sworn in at the inaugural luncheon in New Orleans, Louisiana, on Saturday, August 3rd. Dr. Michael Harper of Shreveport became the 66th President of the LAFP. Dr. Harper is a Family Physician who has practiced in Shreveport, Louisiana for 32 years.

Dr. Harper attended college at Louisiana Tech University and Medical School at LSU School of Medicine in Shreveport. After completing his Family Medicine Residency at Dwight David Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Fort Gordon GA, he served in the army and practiced family medicine for two years at Fort Benning, GA.

In 1981 he joined the full time family medicine faculty at LSU School of Medicine in Shreveport. He achieved the academic rank of Professor of Family Medicine and directed the Family Medicine Residency from 1984 until 2010 when he was appointed as Acting Chairman of the Department of Family Medicine at LSUHSC in Shreveport. He has been Chairman of the Department since November of 2013. Dr. Harper is the immediate Past-President of the American Association for Primary Care Endoscopy.

On a personal note Dr. Harper is married to Nancy Bushnell-Harper who has served on the faculty in the Departments Psychiatry and Family Medicine. Together, they have 5 children.

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About the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians

Established in 1947, the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP) is one of the state's largest primary care organizations, with more than 1,500 member physicians, residents and medical students throughout the State of Louisiana. The mission of the LAFP is to promote and support Louisiana's family physicians in providing excellent health care and to provide a unified voice for family medicine. For more information, visit the LAFP website at www.lafp.org.