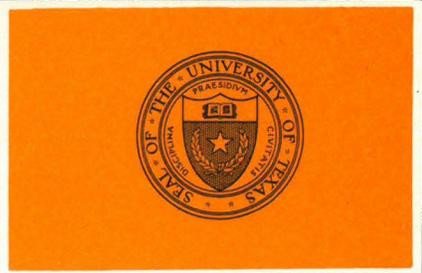


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# NEWS RELEASE



THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL SCHOOL AT DALLAS

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DALLAS -- Dr. Harry J. Parker, a counseling psychologist and professor at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center, has been appointed associate dean of the new Southwestern School of Allied Health Professions at Dallas.

Dr. Parker, who holds master's and doctor's degrees from Northwestern University, will assume his duties Sept. 1.

The appointment was announced by Dr. Richard D. Burk, dean of the school which has been created as a major branch of The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School at Dallas. The new school will utilize facilities and faculty of the parent medical school and its affiliated hospitals to train technical assistants in various specialized medical fields.

Dr. Parker was professor of preventive medicine and public health at the OU medical center and served as professor of human ecology and director of planning at the center's School of Health Related Professions. His writings have been widely published on topics relating to student counseling, vocational counseling, undergraduate medical teaching and allied health profession organization and teaching.

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The Sioux City, Iowa, native previously served as director of the Northwestern University Counseling Center and more recently as director of health manpower planning in the Regional Medical Program for Oklahoma. He was a consulting psychologist for the Peace Corps training project at OU and vocational consultant to the Social Security Administration bureau of hearings and appeals at the time of his Dallas appointment.

Dr. Parker will join Dr. Burk and other staff members of the Southwestern School of Allied Health Professions in initiating programs of instruction leading to degrees in medical technology, physical therapy and other health and medical care specialties. The new associate dean will be responsible for curriculum development, Dr. Burk said.

The new school represents a major effort by The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School to help meet a critical need for more and better trained medical support personnel. Degree programs will be offered in alliance with other major educational institutions in the Dallas area, combining medical school training with study at the other academic institutions to yield a higher quality of preparation than previously available.

Target date for initial class offerings by the health professions school is June, 1970.

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