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******Computer age prompts departmental changes at UTHSCD.

DALLAS--The continued growth of computer use at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas has put the institution firmly into the computer age, according to UTHSCD president Dr. Charles C. Sprague.

"The health science center has become a computer-using institution producing computer-using health professionals and scientists," says Sprague. "We have literally hundreds of computer users on campus and an on-line computing facility that is second to none in a medical institution."

Because of the increasing use of computers here, Sprague has announced the separation of the health science center's Medical Computing Resources Center (MCRC) and the Southwestern Medical School Department of Medical Computer Science. Dr. David J. Mishelevich, M.D., and Ph.D., who has served as director of the two functions since coming to the center in 1972, continues to serve as chairman of the academic facility. Susan G. Mize was named director of the MCRC service facility effective Aug. 1. Mize was former assistant director under Mishelevich.

"The change represents a component of the natural evolution of medical computing at UTHSCD," says Sprague. "Dr. Mishelevich came to the institution eight years ago and under his leadership both the Medical Computing Resources Center and the Department of Medical Computer Science have grown to the point where it is now the appropriate time for this further functional separation of academic and service activities. Ms. Mize has distinguished herself as assistant director and I am grateful to Dr. Mishelevich for his continuing efforts."

Mize, research assistant professor of Medical Computer Science, has been at the health science center since 1968. In addition to being assistant director of the MCRC, she has served as manager of its information systems and works in the area of clinical trials, particularly infectious disease.

"I welcome the challenge," says Mize, "and I am committed to the continuing support of existing activities as well as the development of new areas."

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