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FIVE UT SOUTHWESTERN PHYSICIANS NAMED TO TOWN & COUNTRY'S 'BEST DOCTORS' LIST

DALLAS — March 27, 1995 — Five of the seven Dallas doctors listed among the 649 physicians ranked as the "best doctors" in the United States in 10 categories are full-time faculty members at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, according to a poll released by *Town & Country* magazine. The specialty list was limited to those treating the top 10 killers of men and women between the ages of 45 and 64.

"While UT Southwestern is well-known for its exceptional medical scientists, including our four Nobel laureates, many people are unaware that some of the country's most outstanding physicians also are on our faculty," UT Southwestern president Dr. Kern Wildenthal said.

"The physicians chosen in their specialties for the *Town & Country* article are truly deserving of this honor, and we also have many more at UT Southwestern just as outstanding in other clinical areas," he added.

Two physicians at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas also were honored in the poll published in the magazine's February and March editions.

In order of frequency, the top 10 killers of the middle-aged, compiled by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, are: cancer, diseases of the heart, cerebrovascular disease, trauma, pulmonary disease, liver disease, diabetes, AIDS, suicide, and lung infections.

The UT Southwestern doctors listed in the poll practice at Zale Lipshy University Hospital and Parkland Memorial Hospital. Rated tops in their specialties were:

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— For trauma (orthopaedic surgery), **Dr. Robert Bucholz**, professor and chair of orthopaedic surgery and holder of the W.B. Carrell Professorship of Orthopaedic Surgery and the Doctor Charles F. Gregory Chair in Orthopaedic Surgery, and **Dr. Charles Reinert**, assistant professor of orthopaedic surgery.

— For diabetes, **Dr. Philip Raskin**, professor of internal medicine and clinical researcher in diabetes.

— For liver diseases, **Dr. Willis Maddrey**, executive vice-president for clinical affairs, professor of internal medicine, holder of the Arnold N. and Carol S. Ablon Professorship in Biomedical Science and internationally known expert in rare hepatitis infections, and **Dr. Burton Combes**, professor of internal medicine and clinical researcher in liver diseases.

The poll was conducted for *Town & Country* by the editors of *The Best Doctors in America*, 1994 edition. According to Christopher Greame, one of the book's editors, interns and residents at major medical centers around the country were asked for names of outstanding physicians in their specialties. The nominated physicians then were contacted by the editors and asked as to whom they would refer a close friend or loved one who had an illness in his or her area of specialization. After their answers were compiled, they were asked to vote for the best doctors on the list. A similar method was used for the magazine article.

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