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UT SOUTHWESTERN FACULTY RECEIVE HONORS

DALLAS – Dec. 10, 2003 – Faculty members from UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas recently were recognized for outstanding achievement in their fields.

Dr. Robert J. Gatchel, professor of psychology at UT Southwestern, has received several professional awards, including the 2004 American Psychological Association Award for Distinguished Professional Contributions to Applied Research and the Texas Psychological Association's Outstanding Contribution to Science Award for 2003.

Dr. Gatchel also was named the Visiting Scholar Program Awardee from Liberty Mutual Research Center for Safety and Health, based on an international competition, and the 2003 Award for Significant Contributions in the Field of Temporomandibular Joint and Occlusion Research from the American Equilibration Society.

Dr. George McCracken, professor of pediatrics at UT Southwestern, recently received the Infectious Disease Society of America's Mentor Award in honor of his efforts to secure research, educational and investigational opportunities for young physicians.

Dr. McCracken has mentored 78 pediatric fellows and has been instrumental in the development and leadership of the National Pediatric Infectious Diseases Seminar, a major continuing education course for pediatricians that provides many grants allowing residents and fellows to attend.

He also helped develop the Fellowship Awards Program of the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society, where he has raised more than \$3.5 million to fund 43 fellowships.