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UMMC PHYSICIAN RECEIVES AMA FOUNDATION LEADERSHIP AWARD

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JACKSON, Miss. – Dr. Timothy J. Beacham, a fellow at University of Mississippi Medical Center, has been named a recipient of the American Medical Association (AMA) Foundation's 2010 Leadership Award. This award provides medical students, residents/fellows and early career physicians from around the country with special training to develop their skills as future leaders in organized medicine and community affairs.

Beacham is one of only six residents and fellows in the nation to receive a leadership award. Recipients of the award are recognized for demonstrating outstanding non-clinical leadership skills in advocacy, community service and education.

Beacham is an anesthesiology-trained pain fellow with additional interests in health policy and mentoring youth. He seeks to be instrumental in improving the state of health care for Mississippians. He currently is a member of Leadership Greater Jackson class of 2009-2010, and the board of trustees - Mississippi State Medical Association, American Society of Anesthesiology, American Society of Regional and Pain Medicine Association in addition to a number of other professional and civic organizations. In addition, he is the recipient of many awards and honors as a servant leader both locally and nationally. Beacham is married to Tracilia, with three children.

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