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Physician Honored by Peers for Her Dedication

RIDGELAND - Dr. Tami Brooks, M.D., of Jackson was honored by the MAFP recently for her outstanding work with the Mississippi Division of Medicaid. She was formally recognized with a resolution presented to her at a meeting this past fall.

Brooks, who is a practicing pediatrician at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, was honored for her work as part-time Medical Director within the Division of Medicaid. Her efforts to improve the relationships between family physicians and Medicaid have yielded good results, said MAFP President Sue H. Simmons, M.D., of Maben.

"Dr. Brooks has really worked to break down barriers Mississippi family doctors had encountered when trying to treat Medicaid patients," Simmons said. "She has shown dedication to what is sometimes a thankless job, and the resolution has been our way of letting her know how much her efforts mean to us."

The resolution reads of Dr. Brooks, "She has shown exemplary grace in dealing with and attempting to solve the frustrations of her medical colleagues." It further reads that MAFP "acknowledges with deep appreciation the brilliant work of Dr. Tami Brooks as Medicaid's Medical Director, especially noting her tireless dedication to improving the agency's medical delivery of care to the citizens of Mississippi."

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