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MERIDIAN PHYSICIAN RECEIVES HONORARY DEGREE FROM AMERICAN ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS

JACKSON, April 30, 2018 – **Rahmath Unnisa Begum, MD, FAAFP**, a family physician in Meridian, has achieved the Degree of Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the national medical association representing nearly 129,000 family physicians, residents and medical students.

Criteria for receiving the AAFP degree of fellow consists of a minimum of six years of membership in the organization, extensive continuing medical education, participation in public service programs outside medical practice, conducting original research and serving as a teacher in family medicine.

“Being recognized with the Degree of Fellow has great significance among family physicians,” said MAFP President Dr. Katherine Patterson, FAAFP, of Indianola. “Not only does it represent the respect of one’s peer physicians, but it symbolizes high personal standards as well. We are so glad to have Dr. Begum among our ranks.”

Dr. Begum has been a member of MAFP since 2016 and the AAFP since 2010. She has practiced medicine at Meridian Medical Associates/Anderson Regional Medical Center since 2017. Prior to that Dr. Begum worked at clinics in Meridian and Tylertown.

Dr. Begum is a native of India who received her medical degree from SVS Medical College in Telangana, India. She completed her family medicine residency in the United States at University Health Conway in Monroe, LA. Dr. Begum is a board-certified family physician.

In addition to AAFP and MAFP membership, Dr. Begum is a member of the Mississippi State Medical Association.

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people in Mississippi. The vision of the MAFP is for every person in Mississippi to have access and availability to a well-trained family physician to manage their medical care.

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