High praise received from UT System

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Eight educators from the Health Science Center were selected as winners of the 2014 Regents’ Outstanding Teaching Award from The University of Texas System.

Each honoree received $25,000. This year the UT System awarded a total of $2.4 million to top educators from its nine academic universities and six health institutions. The awards are among the largest and most competitive in the nation for rewarding outstanding faculty performance.

William L. Henrich, M.D., MACP, president of the Health Science Center, said the eight educators are deserving of the honor that recognizes leadership, service and passion for teaching.

"These innovative and inspirational educators are indicative of the culture of teaching excellence for which the Health Science Center is known," he said.

Those honored were:

- William P. Clarke, Ph.D., professor of pharmacology
- Linda M. McManus, Ph.D., professor of pathology
- Jay I. Peters, M.D., professor of medicine
- Linda Porter-Wenzlaff, Ph.D., M.S.N., RN, clinical associate professor of nursing
- Ruben D. Restrepo, M.D., RRT, FAARC, professor of respiratory care
- Ivy S. Schwartz, D.D.S., M.S.Ed., professor of general dentistry
- Frank J. Weaker, Ph.D., adjunct professor of cellular and structural biology.