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**UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT TYLER HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE 2023 AWARD FOR ENGAGEMENT WITH AUPHA –  
NEW MEMBER PROGRAM**

WASHINGTON, DC, May 8, 2023 – The Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) is pleased to announce the University of Texas at Tyler Health Science Center as the recipient of the 2023 Engagement with AUPHA – New Program Member Award. The Award recognizes a program based on their overall contributions to the organization throughout the previous year, including committee service, meeting attendance and participation, authorship, and leadership. Programs must have been members of AUPHA for a period of five years or less to be eligible.

“The Master of Health Administration Program at the University of Texas at Tyler Health Science Center is honored to receive the AUPHA Award for Program Engagement by a New Program,” said Michael H. Kennedy, PhD, FACHE, Associated Professor and Chair. “Active participation in AUPHA by our faculty has enriched our curriculum and enhanced our students’ learning experience.”

“It’s always great to have new universities join AUPHA. The entire AUPHA staff gets excited,” said Dan Gentry, PhD, MHA, President and Chief Executive Officer of AUPHA. “It’s even more fun when the program immediately gets deeply engaged. That’s the case with the

University of Texas at Tyler Health Science Center MHA Program. Although they only joined AUPHA in 2020, a number of the faculty are strongly engaged and provide meaningful and valued service. And, within less than a year, their colleagues in the Executive MBA Healthcare Management Program at UT Tyler also joined AUPHA.”

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