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**2009 PFIZER/AAFP Foundation Visiting Professorship
Program in Family Medicine Award Recipient**

University of Mississippi Medical Center – Jackson, Mississippi

**Visiting Professor: William K. Mygdal, Ed.D, of University of Texas
Southwestern Medical School, Department of Family and Community
Medicine**

Summary of Program:

Dr. Mygdal, will present a series of seminars and workshops to departmental faculty, health psychology and sports medicine fellows and residents. The growing diversity of the department's resident and faculty groups, and its patient population, calls for a plan that will help departmental faculty, learners and patients to communicate as effectively as possible. Accordingly, the focus of these sessions will be on fostering collaborative communication and teaching skills among the disparate groups that comprise the department's faculty, fellows and residents. Specific skill emphases will include clinical teaching and evaluation strategies, models for teaching the medical interview, improving patient-provider communication, team building, conflict resolution and negotiation. Dr. Mygdal is the immediate past Director of the nationally known Family Practice Faculty Development Center of Texas. The Center, under Dr. Mygdal's leadership, was awarded the Excellence in Primary Care Education Award by the Pew Health Professions Commission in 1977.