Robert Barsley, DDS, JD, Professor and Head of the Division of Diagnostic Sciences in Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials, and Director of Oral Health Resources, Community & Hospital Dentistry at the LSUHSC School of Dentistry, was installed as the 65th President of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences at its Annual Scientific Meeting.

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) is a multidisciplinary professional organization that provides leadership to advance science and its application to the legal system. Organized in 1948, AAFS serves a distinguished and diverse international membership of 6,000 forensic science professionals who are the focal point for public information when forensic science issues are addressed in the public domain.

Dr. Barsley will serve a one-year term.

One hundred eight of 171 LSUHSC graduating medical students participating in the National Resident Match Program chose to remain in Louisiana to complete their medical training. That's more than the 60% who stayed last year. The LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans residency programs accepted 132 new residents who will begin their programs next summer.

The percentage of LSUHSC medical graduates going into primary care is nearly 60% this year as compared to 44% last year. Primary Care specialties included are Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Medicine-Preliminary, Obstetrics-Gynecology, Pediatrics, and Medicine-Pediatrics. Ob-GYN is not always included in primary care data; however, in some Louisiana communities the only physician is an OB-GYN.

The high number of LSUHSC graduates choosing to remain in Louisiana again this year and of those choosing LSUHSC residency programs reflects confidence in the high quality of our medical education and training programs.
Of the 49 accredited residency and fellowship programs sponsored by LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans, 26 participated in the Main NRMP Match whose results were released today.

LSUHSC medical graduates training in other states will be going to such prestigious programs as Johns Hopkins, Mount Sinai, Duke, Brown, Boston University, Cedars-Sinai, Georgetown, University of Alabama-Birmingham, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, Baylor, University of Virginia, and Vanderbilt, among others.

LSU Health Sciences Center is proud to continue providing the majority of new physicians for our state and of the fact that so many of our graduates will stay on and practice here. The contributions they make to the health and quality of life of our city and state are truly immeasurable.

Residency programs begin on July 1, 2012.

LSUHSC provides marathon medical coverage

Dr. Betty Lo served as one of the local Medical Directors at the Rock and Roll Mardi Gras Marathon for the second year. Dr. Nicole Giambrone, another member of the Med/Peds faculty, worked with Dr. Lo to recruit the volunteers for 13 medical tents, some of which were staffed by LSU physicians, nurses, and students. They provided medical care to 18,000 marathon runners and walkers, many of whom were our own LSU residents, students, nurses, and faculty.

LSUHSC’s Martin recognized nationally

Dr. David Martin, Professor and Chief of the Section of Infectious Diseases at the LSUHSC School of Medicine, was chosen as the recipient of the 2012 Thomas Parran Award by the American Sexually Transmitted Disease Association for his distinguished contributions in the field of STD research and prevention.

Dr. Martin also directs the Louisiana STD Research Center. He is board certified in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases.

He is past president of the International Society for Sexually Transmitted Diseases Research, the American Sexually Transmitted Diseases Association, and the Louisiana/Mississippi Infectious Diseases Society. He has served on numerous CDC expert panels in the areas of treatment, diagnosis, and prevention of STDs and NIH ad hoc review panels for large program projects and clinical trials focused on STDs, HIV infections, and chlamydial infections.