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Major Appointments Announced for Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) President Tedd L. Mitchell, M.D., has appointed Jose Manuel de la Rosa, M.D., founding dean of the TTUHSC Paul L. Foster School of Medicine as vice president of health affairs at the El Paso campus.

Mitchell has also appointed Josefina Lujan, Ph.D., R.N., dean of the TTUHSC School of Nursing at El Paso, as interim dean for the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing.

"I am proud to announce the appointment of two deserving individuals who have played a major role in the development of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso," Mitchell said.

De la Rosa will continue to serve as the founding dean for the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine and the regional dean for the El Paso campus. As vice president of health affairs, de la Rosa will provide leadership for the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine and the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing. He will also have authority to oversee new schools and any future initiatives or developments of the campus.

As vice president, he will also have principal responsibility for external affairs including hospital relations and serve as a key member of Mitchell's leadership team.

The TTUHSC Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing was recently granted approval by the Texas Board of Nursing and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to admit students effective Sept. 1. The next step for the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing is to begin work toward achieving voluntary professional accreditation through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

Lujan will begin preparations to seat a class of 40 students in September and work to hire faculty and complete her administrative staff, all while preparing for the school's accreditation visits in 2012.

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