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Beth Israel Medical Center Psychiatry Resident Ramin Mojtabai, MD, PhD, MPH,
Receives Prestigious Laughlin Fellowship
Program Honors Top Psychiatry Residents, Future Leaders

New York, NY (January 28, 2008) Ramin Mojtabai, M.D., Ph.D., M.P.H., a fourth-year resident in the Department of Psychiatry at Beth Israel Medical Center (BIMC), has been chosen as a 2008 recipient of the prestigious Laughlin Fellowship by the American College of Psychiatrists. Dr. Mojtabai will be honored at The College's Annual Meeting, to be held February 27-March 2 in Kauai, Hawaii.

Named after College founder, Henry P. Laughlin, M.D., the Fellowship program was launched in 1976 to recognize outstanding accomplishments by psychiatry residents in the United States and Canada. Each year, The College selects ten residents deemed most likely to make a significant future contribution to the field of psychiatry. The College provides a stipend for the Laughlin Fellows to attend The College's Annual Meeting and participate in all educational functions, allowing them to interact with College Members, as well as their peers in other residency programs.

Dr. Mojtabai, a native of Tehran, Iran, received his medical degree from the Tehran University of Medical Sciences. He received his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Tulsa and his master's degree in public health from Columbia University. Now a senior resident in the general psychiatry residency program at Beth Israel, his area of research and clinical interest is mental health services for the severely mentally ill. When he completes his residency, he plans to pursue a career in academic psychiatry and continue research in his interest area.

"Dr. Mojtabai has a bright future ahead of him," said Arnold Winston, M.D., Chairman of Psychiatry at Beth Israel. "We're thrilled that The College recognized his excellence and chose to honor him with this fellowship."

About the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at BIMC:

The Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Beth Israel Medical Center is committed to providing comprehensive care for all its patients. The Department is large enough to offer a wide range of services, yet small enough to ensure individualized attention. Its quality inpatient and outpatient services and its fully accredited training programs in Psychiatry and Psychology contribute substantially to the community's mental health resources. The Department features many programs, centers and services tailored to serve specific needs, including: addiction psychiatry; pharmacotherapy; crisis intervention; all types of psychotherapy; behavioral medicine; child and adolescent services; geriatric psychiatry; general and specialty inpatient units; and evening/weekend programs.

For more information, visit: <http://www.chpnyc.org/services/psychiatry/index.asp>

About the American College of Psychiatrists:

Founded on May 8, 1963, in St. Louis, Mo., The American College of Psychiatrists is a not-for-profit honorary association dedicated to providing continuing education to its Members, promoting the latest advances in the specialty, and supporting the highest standards in psychiatry. Membership in The College is limited to 750 practicing psychiatrists who have demonstrated outstanding competence and national recognition in the field of psychiatry.

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