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Jair C. Soares, M.D., Ph.D. joined UTHealth in 2009 and currently serves as Professor and Pat R. Rutherford, Jr. Chair in Psychiatry at the McGovern Medical School and as Executive Director of UTHealth Harris County Psychiatric Center. A Board-certified psychiatrist, he also serves as Chief of Psychiatry Services at Memorial Hermann Hospital and LBJ Hospital. The sites provide patient care and serve as clinical training facilities for UTHealth medical students, psychiatry residents and psychiatry fellows.

Dr. Soares directs the Center of Excellence on Mood Disorders, which focuses on the search for the causes and the development of new treatments for mood disorders. The Center is comprised of an active research team who specializes in clinical neurosciences (neuroimaging, neurophysiology, cognitive neurosciences, and genetics), as well as clinical psychopharmacology and interventions research.

Dr. Soares areas of clinical and research interests include adult general psychiatry; bipolar disorders; depressive disorders; neuroendocrinology; neuroimaging; neuropsychology and psychopharmacology.