



Vita: Larry S. Fields, MD

President, American Academy of Family Physicians

Larry S. Fields, MD, a family physician in Ashland, Ky., is president of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). The Congress of Delegates, the AAFP's governing body, elected Fields to the position of president-elect during the organization's annual meeting in October 2004. Previously, he served three years as a member of the AAFP board of directors.

Fields is senior partner at the Family Medicine Center in Ashland. He is a clinical professor at the University of Kentucky in Lexington and the University of Louisville. A member of the AAFP since 1979, Fields has served the Academy in a variety of roles. He chaired the Committee on Scientific Programs in 2000 and has been a delegate to the AAFP Congress of Delegates since 1998. He was a member of the Professional Liability Commission from 1994 to 1995.

Fields is a member of the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians, a constituent chapter of the AAFP, where he served as president from 1992 to 1993. He has served as legislative chair of the chapter and chair of the Kentucky Chapter Foundation. He is a member of the Kentucky Medical Association and the Greenup County Medical Society. Fields is also a founding member of the Kentucky Research Network, a statewide coalition of family physicians coordinated by the University of Kentucky for the purpose of enhancing research in primary care. In addition, he serves on the Long Range Planning Committee and the Academic Boosters for the Russell School System in Ashland.

The Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians chose Fields as Citizen Doctor of the Year in 2001 and he received the Preceptor of the Year award from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine in 1999. In addition, he received the Outstanding Performance on Pediatrics Citation as a family medicine resident.

A board-certified family physician, Fields earned his undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, and his medical degree from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, Lexington. His residency was at the Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu. He served as a major in the Army Medical Corps for seven years. Fields is an AAFP Fellow, an earned degree awarded to family physicians for distinguished service and continuing medical education.

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Vita: Douglas E. Henley, MD

Executive Vice President, American Academy of Family Physicians

Douglas E. Henley, MD serves as executive vice president for the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) and is on the TransformMED board of directors. As executive vice president, Henley serves the AAFP as chief executive officer. He also provides representation for the AAFP to other organizations, including medical, public and private sectors, and he serves on the board of directors of the AAFP Foundation, the charitable arm of the AAFP. He was recently chosen to be one of the inaugural commissioners of the Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology, created as an impartial panel to certify electronic health records and other health care information technology products.

Michael Leavitt, Secretary of Health and Human Services recently appointed Henley as commissioner of the American Health Information Community, formed to help advance efforts to reach President Bush's call for most Americans to have electronic health records within ten years. Henley also recently served as one of the inaugural commissioners of the Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology, created as an impartial panel to certify electronic health records and other healthcare information technology products. Henley also represents the AAFP as a founding member of the Ambulatory care Quality Alliance (AQA) Steering Committee, whose mission is to improve health care quality and patient safety through an organized approach to the implementation of physician performance measurement, data stewardship, and reporting.

Henley has been an AAFP physician member and volunteer since 1973. He was on the AAFP Board of Directors from 1991 – 1997, serving as chair from 1993 – 1994 and 1996 – 1997, and as president from 1995 – 1996. Prior to assuming the position of EVP, Henley was in private practice for 20 years in his hometown of Hope Mills, N.C. He is the first practicing family physician to be named EVP and the first AAFP past-president and board chair to serve in that position.

Henley has served on numerous AAFP commissions and committees addressing issues such as legislative and government affairs, public health, resident and student affairs, and the socioeconomic health care environment.

Henley is a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, Chapel Hill, and the university's family medicine residency program. He is board certified by the American Board of Family Practice and is an AAFP Fellow, an earned degree awarded to family physicians for distinguished service and continuing medical education.

Henley's many appointments include serving on the editorial boards of Family Practice News and Journal of Family Practice; the American Medical Association Current Procedural Terminology Editorial Panel; the U.S. Congress Office of Technology Assessment Advisory Panel on Technology, Insurance and the Health Care System; and the North Carolina Cervical Cancer Task Force. He is currently on the board of directors of the Annals of Family Medicine.



Vita: Terry McGeeney, MD, MBA

President and Chief Executive Officer of TransformMED

McGeeney brings nearly 30 years of experience as a board-certified family physician, including more than a decade in rural solo practice where he practiced the full spectrum of family medicine, including obstetrics; extensive emergency room experience; and nearly 15 years in a large multi-specialty group where he served as medical director. He also provides a solid understanding of the fundamentals of business management, and health facilities organization and operations, which he acquired while earning a master's degree in health care administration from the University of Colorado.

Most recently, McGeeney served as assistant medical director and then medical director of the McFarland Clinic PC, central Iowa's largest physician-owned, multi-specialty clinic. The McFarland Clinic PC network of more than 200 health care providers annually serves more than 900,000 patients in 24 Iowa communities. Thirty-five different medical specialties are represented on the clinic staff.

A forward-practicing, patient-focused clinic, McFarland has in place many of the TransformMED model of care concepts, which were implemented under McGeeney's leadership. A testament to the efficacy of these concepts, McFarland's family physicians' average income is significantly more than the national average.

As president and chief executive officer of TransformMED, McGeeney serves as the leader, visionary and key spokesperson for the company. He is responsible for the overall management of the organization and oversees the development of the company's product and service lines.

McGeeney earned his undergraduate degree from Benedictine College, Atchison, Kan., and his medical degree from the University of Kansas School of Medicine, Kansas City. He completed his residency at the University of Kansas Medical Center. He later received an M.B.A. in health care administration from the University of Colorado.

McGeeney is a member of the American College of Physician Executives, Kansas City Southwest Clinical Society and Iowa Medical Society. He also is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians, an earned degree awarded to family physicians for distinguished service and continuing medical education.

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Vita: James C. Martin, MD

Board Chair, TransformMED

James C. Martin, MD, a practicing family physician in San Antonio, Texas, is board chair of TransformMED. Martin also previously served one-year terms as board chair, president and president-elect of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), and three years as a member of the board of directors. Martin also was board chair of the Future of Family Medicine Project Leadership Committee. As chair, Martin led the two-year effort to develop a strategy for transforming and renewing the specialty of family medicine.

After 20 years in private practice, Martin now works in a multi-specialty group practice and serves as program director for the Family Medicine Residency Program at CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health Care, San Antonio. Martin is also a clinical professor with the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio.

A member of the AAFP since 1976, Martin has served on numerous AAFP commissions and committees addressing issues such as health education, legislative and government affairs, and membership. Martin was a member of the Task Force on Universal Coverage.

A board-certified family physician, Martin earned his medical degree in 1973 from the University of Texas Medical School in San Antonio. He completed a three-year family practice residency at Bexar County Hospital and served as the administrative chief resident in 1976. The AAFP has awarded him the degree of Fellow for distinguished service and continuing medical education. Martin was recognized as the Outstanding Medical School Alumnus in 1992. He is past president of the American Board of Family Medicine and served on the Quadri Specialty Leadership Consortium with the organization. He is a past family medicine representative to the American Board of Medical Specialties.

Martin has written and lectured on family medicine topics ranging from cardiovascular disease and asthma, to the doctor-patient relationship and the philosophy of primary care education.

He has presented local, state and federal testimony on a variety of legislative advocacy issues including Medicare and Medicaid, medical education and health care system reform.

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Vita: Helen Burstin, MD, MPH

Director, Center for Primary Care, Prevention and Clinical Partnerships Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Helen Burstin, M.D., M.P.H. has served as the Director of the Center for Primary Care, Prevention and Clinical Partnerships at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) since January 2000. The Center expands the knowledge base for clinical providers and patients and translates new knowledge and systems improvement into primary care and prevention. The Center supports the US Preventive Services Task Force. Dr. Burstin oversees all health information technology initiatives at AHRQ.

Dr. Burstin is a board certified general internist and health services researcher, and a graduate of the State University of New York at Upstate College of Medicine and the Harvard School of Public Health. Dr. Burstin completed a residency in primary care internal medicine at Boston City Hospital. After residency, she completed fellowship training in General Internal Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School.

Prior to her appointment at AHRQ, Dr. Burstin was an Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School and the Director of Quality Measurement at Brigham and Women's Hospital. While in this position, she served as Chair of the Medical Staff Executive Committee on Quality Assurance/Risk Management and developed the hospital's computerized Quality Measurement Reporting System. Dr. Burstin is the author of over 60 articles and book chapters in her areas of interest, including access to care and quality, medical errors, patient-provider communication, and disparities. In 1996, she won the Clinician Investigator Award of the Society of General Internal Medicine (SGIM) New England Region. Dr. Burstin served as national chair of the 2003 SGIM Annual Meeting. She is a deputy editor of the Journal of General Internal Medicine.

Dr. Burstin is President of the American Medical Student Association (AMSA) Foundation and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of La Clinica del Pueblo, a free Latino clinic in Washington D.C., where she is a volunteer staff physician.

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Vita: Trent T. Haywood, MD, JD

Deputy Chief Medical Officer for The Office of Clinical Standards and Quality Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

As the Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Haywood is part of the senior management team that oversees quality measurement, quality improvement, Medicare conditions of participation, quality information systems, and National Coverage Decisions. In addition, Trent is spearheading the Agency's physician Pay-for-Performance initiative with the goal of aligning financial system with professional goals of higher quality. Trent has also led many of the Agency's quality improvement projects related to acute and chronic disease management, including end stage renal disease; and improvement activities focused on hospital, home health, and nursing home settings, including the Agency's Nursing Home Quality Initiative, the Home Health Quality Initiative, the Hospital Quality Initiative and the Physician Focused Quality Initiative.

Dr. Haywood is a practicing physician and is also an attorney by training. Dr Haywood currently practices in the emergency department at a local VA facility in Chicago.

Dr. Haywood holds a BS degree from the University of Notre Dame; an M.D. from the University of Illinois at Chicago; and completed his Internal Medicine Residency at Loyola University. Dr. Haywood also holds a J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law.

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Vita: Theresa Shupe, MD

Lifetime Family Medicine Haymarket, Virginia.

Theresa Shupe, M.D., is a family physician currently in a group practice in Manassas, Va. In fall 2006, she plans to open her own solo medical practice, Lifetime Family Medicine, in Haymarket, Va. Shupe earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Massachusetts Lowell in 1979 and returned there to complete her master's degree in nursing in 1983. After working with a retired family physician at Boston College, she decided to pursue her medical degree at George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Washington, D.C. She graduated in 1990.

While at George Washington, Shupe started a Family Medicine Interest Group, which still thrives today. Shupe completed her residency at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Jacksonville, Fla. In 1993, she joined Heritage Family Physicians in Kissimmee, Fla., where she practiced the full scope of family medicine, including obstetrics. While there, Shupe co-authored the American Family Physician journal column, "Diary of a Week in Practice," from 1993 to 1999, before moving to Virginia.

Shupe has served in a variety of leadership capacities at the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), including student delegate and resident member to the AAFP governing body, the Congress of Delegates. She also served as a member of the AAFP Commission on Resident and Student Affairs.

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