



2012 ACGME Annual Educational Conference
Marvin R. Dunn Keynote Address
Physician Work Force Issues, GME Funding and You:
Implications for 2012 and Beyond

With the looming threat of Medicare reimbursement cuts, the issue of the number and specialty distribution of the next generation of physicians has once again become one of the most critical topics in GME. Three national experts and opinion leaders will participate in a point-counter-point format, designed to engage the audience in a robust discussion of the current forces affecting the graduate medical education community.

Jordan J. Cohen, M.D. is professor of medicine and public health at George Washington University and president emeritus of the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). From 1994 to 2006, he led the AAMC in its support of the nation's medical schools and teaching hospitals; he has spoken extensively on the need to promote greater racial and ethnic diversity in medicine, to uphold professional and scientific values, and to transform the nation's health care system. Earlier, he was dean of medicine at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and associate chairman of medicine at the University of Chicago and he currently serves on the board of the Morehouse School of Medicine and the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science & Community Development. He chairs the Journal Oversight Committee of the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA). He is a former chair of the American Board of Internal Medicine and of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, served as president of the Association of Program Directors of Internal Medicine, was a member of the Board of Directors of the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation of New York, the National Library of Medicine and the China Medical Board, and served as chair of the Blue Ribbon Panel on VA Medical School Affiliations.

Richard (Buz) Cooper, M.D. is Director of the Center for the Future of the Healthcare Workforce at the New York Institute of Technology and an Adjunct Senior Fellow in the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics at the University of Pennsylvania.

Cooper received his medical education at Washington University School of Medicine and trained in internal medicine, hematology and oncology at the Harvard Medical Unit of the Boston City Hospital and the National Cancer Institute. Following several years on the faculty at Harvard, he became Chief of Hematology-Oncology at the University of Pennsylvania and subsequently Director of Penn's Cancer Center, which he co-founded. After 14 years at Penn, he joined the Medical College of Wisconsin where, during the next 20 years, he served as Executive Vice President and Dean and subsequently Director of the College's Health Policy Institute, which he also founded. In 2005, he returned to Penn as a Professor of Medicine in the Leonard Davis Institute, and upon retirement from Penn in 2011, he became Director of NYIT's Center for the Future of the Healthcare Workforce.

Since the mid-1990s, Cooper has been a national leader on issues of the supply of physicians and nonphysician clinicians. Contrary to a prevalent view that the US has too many physicians, his "Trend Model" projected physician shortages of a magnitude now being experienced, which led him to advocate expanding the capacity to train physicians and other care-givers. In recent years, Cooper's work has defined the contributions of wealth and poverty to geographic variation in health care, which led to develop a conceptual model of health care resources and utilization, the "Affluence-Poverty Nexus." Cooper is the recipient of four honorary degrees and numerous other awards. He resides in New York.

Dr. Fitzhugh Mullan is the Murdock Head Professor of Medicine and Health Policy at the George Washington University School of Public Health and a Professor of Pediatrics at the George Washington University School of Medicine. His research and policy work focus on US and international health workforce issues with particular emphasis on capacity building in Africa. He is the Principal Investigator of the Medical Education Partnership Initiative (MEPI) Coordinating Center, an NIH/HRSA/PEPFAR

funded 12 country African medical education project. His US work includes the Kellogg Foundation funded Beyond Flexner Study and the Medical Education Futures Study. Dr. Mullan graduated from Harvard University with a degree in history and from the University of Chicago Medical School. He trained in pediatrics and was commissioned in the United States Public Health Service where he worked in New Mexico as one of the first members of the National Health Service Corps. During 23 years in the Public Health Service he served in many capacities including director of the National Health Service Corps, director of the Bureau of Health Professions, and as an Assistant Surgeon General. He was a member of both the President's Task Force on Health Care Reform and the Council on Graduate Medical Education. In 1996, he retired from the Public Health Service, joined the faculty at George Washington University and the staff of the journal Health Affairs where he is a Contributing Editor and the founding editor of the Narrative Matters section. Dr. Mullan has written widely for both professional and general audiences on medical and health policy topics. His books include *White Coat Clenched Fist: The Political Education of an American Physician*, *Vital Signs: A Young Doctor's Struggle with Cancer*, *Plagues and Politics: The Story of the United States Public Health Service*, and *Big Doctoring in America: Profiles in Primary Care*. Dr. Mullan is the Founding President of the National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship. He is the recipient of the American Cancer Society's 1988 Courage award, the Society for Surgical Oncology's 1989 James Ewing medal, as well as the Surgeon General's Medallion, and the United States Public Health Service's Distinguished Service Medal. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences.