


# MAKING HEALTH CARE WORK BETTER FOR PATIENTS


MEDICINE  
IS MORE  
COMPLICATED  
THAN EVER


36   
NEW DRUGS  
BECAME  
AVAILABLE  
worldwide in 2012 alone

45%  
of adults have  
**TWO OR MORE**  
of the most common  
chronic conditions

Americans are **LIVING LONGER** ..... **78.5 YRS**  
**BUT SICKER** with a U.S. life expectancy of

35%   
of U.S. adults have  
**PREDIABETES**

30%   
of U.S. adults have  
**HIGH BLOOD  
PRESSURE**

36%   
of U.S. adults are  
**OBESE**

THE HEALTH  
CARE SYSTEM  
IS EVOLVING  
RAPIDLY

The Affordable Care Act is expected to expand  
**HEALTH COVERAGE TO  
MILLIONS OF AMERICANS,**  
with an emphasis on whole patient care from  
**PREVENTION TO TREATMENT**

FAMILY  
PHYSICIANS  
HAVE AN  
INTEGRAL  
ROLE TO PLAY

Family physicians  
are dedicated to  
**TREATING  
THE WHOLE  
PERSON**



The patient-physician  
relationship has  
always been the very  
**CORE OF  
FAMILY  
MEDICINE**




21,000  
**HOURS OR MORE**  
family physicians train to pass  
the same national exams

72%  
of family physicians have  
**SAME-DAY  
APPOINTMENTS**

45%  
of family physicians have  
**EARLY MORNING  
AND/OR  
EVENING HOURS**

Family physicians are  
**IN VIRTUALLY  
EVERY  
COMMUNITY**  
whether that's rural, urban,  
or suburban



 .....  
The number of new  
family physicians  
**INCREASES  
EVERY YEAR**

**3,000+**  
**NEW FAMILY  
PHYSICIANS**  
will complete their training  
annually starting in 2016