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Douglas E. Henley, M.D., FAAFP, is executive vice president and chief executive officer for the American Academy of Family Physicians, which represents more than 115,900 family physicians and medical students nationwide.

He has served on the board of directors of the Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative since its founding. The PCPCC is a coalition of over 700 businesses, consumers, and health care organizations that have joined together to advocate for the patient centered medical home. He also is a founding member of the Ambulatory Care Quality Alliance Steering Committee (AQA) and serves on the Steering Committee of the Catalyst for Payment Reform. Dr. Henley also currently serves on the Bipartisan Policy Center Task Force on Delivery System Reform and Health Information Technology.

Henley previously served as a commissioner on the American Health Information Community – an appointment by then HHS Secretary Michael Levitt. In this capacity he served as co-chair of the Personalized Healthcare Workgroup. Henley also was an inaugural commissioner of the Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology.

An AAFP physician member since 1973, Henley was elected to the AAFP Board of Directors from 1991 to 1997, serving as chair from 1993 to 1994 and 1996 to 1997, and as president from 1995 to 1996.

Henley's many past 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 as a member of the board of directors of the Annals of Family Medicine.

Before becoming executive vice president, Henley was in private practice for 20 years in his hometown of Hope Mills, NC.

Henley graduated from 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 Medicine and has the earned degree of AAFP Fellow.