



Stephen R. Permut, MD, JD

Stephen R. Permut, MD, JD, a family physician from Wilmington, Del., was elected to the American Medical Association Board of Trustees (BOT) in June 2010. Dr. Permut was a member of the AMA House of Delegates for 16 years and served as chair of Delaware's delegation.

He served on the AMA Council on Legislation for eight years, including serving as chair during his final year. While on the council, Dr. Permut served on the AMA-BOT Task Force on Patient Safety, Quality and Information Technology, and as vice chair of the AMA's Evaluation and Management Coding Guidelines Task Force. Dr. Permut now serves as a member of the AMA Foundation board of directors.

Dr. Permut served on the board of trustees of the New Castle County (Delaware) Medical Society and was the founding chair of its Community Relations Committee. He served on the board of trustees of the Medical Society of Delaware (MSD) and was founding chair of its Legislative Action Committee and president from 1992 to 1993. During his term as president, in collaboration with the state's hospital association, MSD formulated a state-wide health system reform plan. MSD has awarded Dr. Permut both the Distinguished Service Award and the President's Award. Dr. Permut currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia County Medical Society and on the board of commissioners for The Joint Commission. He is a member of the board of trustees of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia.

Dr. Permut received his bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. He began medical school at the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara, Mexico, and completed his MD degree at Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia. Dr. Permut completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis. Later, while in practice, Dr. Permut received a JD from Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, Del.

Board-certified in internal medicine, family medicine and legal medicine, Dr. Permut has been awarded fellowships by the American College of Physicians (ACP), the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American College of Legal Medicine, and the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. He is a recipient of the Laureate Award from the Delaware chapter of the ACP.

Dr. Permut has practiced in a variety of settings—solo, private practice; small single-specialty, group practice; and multi-specialty academic, group practice—and always in underserved inner-city communities. He has also served in a variety of administrative positions, including: (founding) director, family medicine residency program; medical director, managed care organization; and vice president, medical affairs for a community hospital. Dr. Permut is currently a tenured professor and chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine at Temple University School of Medicine.

Dr. Permut and his wife, Marylene, have two daughters and four grandchildren.