

Stanford PROFILES



Doug Owens

HENRY J. KAISER, JR. PROFESSOR, SENIOR FELLOW AT THE FREEMAN SPOGLI INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AND PROFESSOR, BY COURTESY, OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING AND OF HEALTH RESEARCH AND POLICY (HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH)

Medicine - Primary Care Outcomes Research

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Bio

Douglas K. Owens is the Henry J. Kaiser, Jr. Professor, and Director of the Center for Health Policy (CHP) in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies (FSI) and of the Center for Primary Care and Outcomes Research (PCOR) in the Department of Medicine and School of Medicine at Stanford. He is a general internist and Associate Director of the Center for Innovation to Implementation, a health services research center of excellence, at the VA Palo Alto Health Care System. Owens is a Professor of Medicine and, by courtesy, Professor of Health Research and Policy, and Professor of Management Science and Engineering, at Stanford University; he is also a Senior Fellow at FSI.

Owens' research focuses on technology assessment, cost-effectiveness analysis, evidence synthesis, and methods for clinical decision making and guideline development. He is studying the cost-effectiveness of preventive and therapeutic interventions for HIV/AIDS in several countries; diagnostic and therapeutic interventions for cardiovascular disease; the cost effectiveness of current and emerging therapies for hepatitis C virus infection; approaches to quality improvement; and he has developed methods for developing clinical practice guidelines tailored to specific patient populations. Owens chaired the Clinical Guidelines Committee of the American College of Physicians for four years. The guideline committee develops clinical guidelines that are used widely and are published regularly in the Annals of Internal Medicine. He is a member of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, which develops national guidelines on preventive care, including guidelines for screening for breast, colorectal, prostate, and lung cancer.

Owens also directed the Stanford-UCSF Evidence-based Practice Center and the Program on Clinical Decision Making and Guideline Development at PCOR. He directs three training programs in health services research: the Fellowship Program in Health Research and Policy at Stanford, the VA Physician Fellowship in Health Services Research, and the VA Postdoctoral Informatics Fellowship Program.

Owens received a BS and an MS from Stanford University, and an MD from the University of California-San Francisco. He completed a residency in internal medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and a fellowship in health research and policy at Stanford. Owens is a past-President of the Society for Medical Decision Making. He received the VA Undersecretary's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Health Services Research, and the Eisenberg Award for Leadership in Medical Decision Making from the Society for Medical Decision Making. He was elected to the American Society for Clinical Investigation (ASCI) and the Association of American Physicians (AAP).

Academic Appointments

Professor, Medicine - Primary Care Outcomes Research
Professor (By courtesy), Health Research & Policy
Professor (By courtesy), Management Science and Engineering
Member, Stanford Cancer Institute

Administrative Appointments

Director, Stanford-UCSF Evidenced Based Practice Center, Stanford University (2002 - 2010)
Associate Director, Center for Innovation to Implementation, HSR&D Center of Excellence, VA Palo Alto Health Care System (2011 - Present)
Director, VA Postdoctoral Medical Informatics Fellowship, VA Palo Alto Health Care System and Stanford University (1994 - Present)
Director, Program on Clinical Decision Making and Guideline Development, Center for Primary Care and Outcomes Research, Stanford University (1997 - Present)
Director, VA Physician Post-Residency Fellowship in Health Services Research, VA Palo Alto Health Care System and Stanford (2006 - Present)
Director, Center for Health Policy, Stanford University (2011 - Present)
Director, Center for Primary Care and Outcomes Research, Stanford University (2011 - Present)

Honors & Awards

Henry J. Kaiser, Jr. Professor, Stanford University (2011)
John Eisenberg Award for Leadership in Medical Decision Making, Society for Medical Decision Making (2010)
Division Teaching Award, Center for Primary Care and Outcomes Research (2010)
Elected Member, Association of American Physicians (AAP) (2008)
Under Secretary's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Health Services Research, Department of Veterans Affairs (2007)
Division Teaching Award, Center for Primary Care and Outcomes Research (2003)
Elected Member, The American Society for Clinical Investigation (ASCI) (2000)

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