Medical Education: Time For Change

Editors' Note: This message was read by Nicholas Pisacano, M.D., as part of his introductory remarks in opening ABFP's 20th anniversary symposium. We are pleased to share it with our readers.

I am delighted to send my congratulations to the members of the American Board of Family Practice on the occasion of your 20th anniversary.

By encouraging the development of the family practice specialty, your organization has made a tremendous contribution to American health care. Drawing on the rich heritage of general practice, family practitioners meet the most basic health and medical needs of the family. Thanks to the diligence of the Board, these practitioners are recognized for their adherence to the highest standards of training and ethics. I commend you for your dedication to excellence in your profession and for all you have done to help establish quality medical services in our great nation.

Barbara and I wish you a memorable anniversary celebration and continued success in years to come. May God bless you.

George Bush