

Biography of Dave Mittman, DMSc (Hon), PA, DFAAPA

Dave Mittman has been a PA leader for over 48 years. Dave co-founded the LIU PA Program student society in 1973, was President of the New York State Society of PAs from 1978-1979 and served on the AAPA Board of Directors, twice, thirty-five years apart. Dave also has won the AAPA Public Education award for leading the march in Trenton NJ to establish PA practice. Dave was introduced to medicine as a medic in the USAF. He later had the distinction of becoming the first PA allowed to practice in the USAF Reserves. Dave spent almost 9 years in a primary care group practice in Brooklyn, N.Y. and left to begin a career in medical publishing with Physician Assistant (PA) Journal in late 1983.

Dave left PA Journal to co-found Clinicians Publishing Group in 1990 and Clinician Reviews Journal in 1991. This was the first journal written for both NPs and PAs. Dave and his partners took Clinicians Group and built it into a major publishing business launching eight journals in six different physician specialties within an eight-year period, something never done before in the history of medical publishing. In 2001, Clinicians Group was acquired by Jobson Publishing. Dave left in 2004.

Dave recently completed his term as President of the AAPA after serving on the AAPA Board for 5 years. Dave also previously served on the AAPA Board from 1982-84. Dave also was awarded an honorary Doctorate in Medical Science in 2020 from the Trustees of Lynchburg University, in Lynchburg, VA.

In 2008, Dave co-founded Clinician1, which was the largest NP and PA informational/clinical/social community on the web. Clinician 1 was acquired by a private firm and Clinician 1 ceased publication in late 2019. Dave is now involved with a video Q and A feature on POCN and serves as a consultant for a number of corporations.

Dave has also served as Treasurer of the Association of Family Practice PAs. A co-founder of the American College of Clinicians, the first President for Executive and Administrative PAs. Dave is also a co-founder of PAs For Tomorrow, (PAFT).

Dave has authored numerous papers and studies in publications as diverse as "Chicken Soup for the Expectant Mothers Soul", "U.S. Pharmacist", "Medical Marketing and Media" and many others. He was the primary author for the first international paper on PAs published in the British Medical Journal (BMJ).

Dave is a noted expert in PA and NP practice both in the U.S. and around the world. He has published papers on both NP and PA prescribing. He has consulted for many companies on NP and PA practice and has spoken at numerous PA and NP meetings with audiences ranging from 5 to 8,000. Dave is also teaching in the Doctorate Program (DMSc) at Lynchburg University.

Dave is married to his high school sweetheart Bonnie for over 47 years and has two wonderful adult children.