



Jeremy A. Lazarus, MD

President-Elect

American Medical Association

Jeremy A. Lazarus, MD, a board-certified psychiatrist in private practice in Denver, was elected president-elect of the American Medical Association (AMA) in June 2011, after having served as speaker of the AMA House of Delegates from 2007 to 2011 and vice speaker from 2003 to 2007. He is a past president of the Colorado Medical Society, the Colorado Psychiatric Society and the Arapahoe County Medical Society.

Dr. Lazarus recently served as chair of the AMA Board of Trustees (BOT) Compensation Committee and as a member of the AMA-BOT Executive and Finance committees. Representing the AMA on the Health Coverage Coalition for the Uninsured and the Ride for World Health, he has been one of the AMA's chief spokespersons on the uninsured.

Previously, Dr. Lazarus served as speaker of the assembly and is a distinguished fellow of the American Psychiatric Association (APA). He is the author of numerous publications on ethics, economics and managed care issues. His newest book is *Entering Private Practice: A Handbook for Psychiatrists*.

Born in Chicago, Dr. Lazarus attended Northwestern University, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in chemistry. He received a medical degree with honors in psychiatry from the University of Illinois College of Medicine. Following a mixed medical internship at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago, he became chief resident and teaching

fellow at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center (UCHSC) in Denver. He is a clinical professor of psychiatry at the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine and a voluntary professor of psychiatry at the University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine.

Personal accomplishments include being a 13-time Ironman Triathlon finisher, 13-time marathon finisher, and a professional musician and singer.

Dr. Lazarus received the Colorado Psychiatric Society Outstanding Achievement Award in 2008, was awarded a Special Presidential Commendation by the APA in 2003 and received the 2004 APA Assembly Warren Williams award. In 2005 he received a teaching award from the UCHSC Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Lazarus and his wife, Debbie, are the proud parents of three sons and have seven very special grandchildren.

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