

Marshall Forstein, MD

**Education**: M.D., University of Vermont College of Medicine (1980; B.A. Middlebury College

**Training:** PGY-1, Pacific Medical Center, San Francisco, CA (1980-1981) Resident in Psychiatry, Massachusetts General Hospital 1981-1984

**Board Certification**: ABPN General Psychiatry (1989)

Current Practice and Professional Activities: Interim Chair and Adult Residency Program Director, Cambridge Health Alliance; Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School; Part time private practice in adult psychiatry (1985-present); Board of Directors, Institute for Community Health (2016-)

**MPS:** Councilor 1994-96; Awards Committee, 1998-2006; Chair, Awards Committee 2007-2011; APA Assembly Representative (2014-17)

**APA**: Distinguished Life Fellow; Vice Chair, Council of Medical Education and Lifelong Learning; Member and past Chair of the Steering Committee for HIV Education and Training.

**Other professional Associations**: The Association for Academic Psychiatry, American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training, Association of Academic Chairs of Departments of Psychiatry; member and past president, Association of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Psychiatrist

**Personal Statement**: I have been privileged to serve as one of the MA Assembly representatives and am hoping to continue to represent one of our core beliefs as psychiatrists that every person deserves access to compassionate and high quality mental health care. Having served in the public sector for my entire career, except for my longtime small private practice, I am aware that health disparities, health equity, and reimbursements for mental health are significantly undervalued in the current private and public marketplace.

I believe that we face many challenges, including the stigma of mental illness, and the shortage of psychiatrists. I believe that both the public and the health care system has begun to realize the essential need for integrating mental health care into our medical practices and that we must treat patients as whole human beings. As a training director, I also believe that we must preserve and increase the access to psychiatrists to provide psychotherapy. Massachusetts is an engine for innovative training and service delivery. I hope to continue to serve Massachusetts' psychiatrists, trainees and patients in developing appropriate policies and actions within the APA.