



Bart Peterson to lead IU Center for Global Health / AMPATH development board

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The IU Center for Global Health will continue to advance in improving health worldwide with the appointment of Bart Peterson as chair of the center's development board.

Peterson, former Indianapolis mayor and Eli Lilly and Company executive, brings an expansive knowledge of community collaborations and innovations in health systems. Peterson will lead the development board's work to advocate and fundraise for IU's global health partnerships, such as the Academic Model Providing Access to Healthcare (AMPATH).

"The work of the IU Center for Global Health and School of Medicine is truly one of Indiana's greatest contributions to humankind," Peterson said. "I'm thrilled to lead efforts to expand the center's impact as it saves lives around the globe and helps improve health care here in Indiana."

Peterson recently retired as senior vice president of corporate affairs and communications for Eli Lilly and Company, where he also served as a member of the company's executive committee. From 2000 to 2007, Peterson served two terms as mayor of Indianapolis. He also served as president of the National League of Cities in 2007. As mayor, along with Indiana University, Purdue University, Lilly, and the Central Indiana Corporate Partnership, he created BioCrossroads, a focused effort to push Indianapolis to the forefront as a life sciences capital.

"Bart Peterson has been a long-time champion of innovative solutions for some of the world's biggest challenges," said Bob Einterz, IU Center for Global Health director and Donald E. Brown professor of global health. "His support and passion for the work IU is doing in Kenya to save and improve lives are vital for the growth of our program."

Peterson has served as a member of the Center's development board since 2015. He assumes the leadership role formerly held by Ora Pescovitz, MD.

Peterson is a member of the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs Dean's Council and serves on the 16 Tech Community Corporation Board of Directors, which guides the development of the 16 Tech innovation district located on Indianapolis's near northwest side. He is also board chair of The Mind Trust, an education reform organization and serves on the board of the Regenstrief Foundation. Peterson received a bachelor's degree from Purdue University in 1980 and earned his law degree at the University of Michigan Law School in 1983.

Read Peterson's recent [editorial in the Indianapolis Business Journal](#) about the importance of AMPATH.



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About the IU Center for Global Health & AMPATH

The Indiana University Center for Global Health develops mutually beneficial partnerships to improve health worldwide. Established in 2010, the Center is improving the delivery and effectiveness of health care, training leaders in global health, and conducting groundbreaking research. AMPATH, the Academic Model Providing Access to Healthcare, is the cornerstone of the IU Center for Global Health.

AMPATH is a partnership of universities and academic health centers working together to save lives in Kenya and to improve health care around the world. Indiana University School of Medicine's partnership with Moi University School of Medicine and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Kenya, led to the creation of AMPATH in 2001. Working with the Kenyan Ministry of Health, AMPATH created one of Africa's largest, most comprehensive and effective HIV/AIDS management and treatment models. AMPATH has transitioned its successful HIV approach into a comprehensive primary health care system, now serving a population of 4 million people in western Kenya. In addition to providing direct patient care, AMPATH trains healthcare leaders in North American and sub-Saharan Africa and conducts research. AMPATH aspires to restore patients' lives, not just their health.

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