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Dr. Yealy is a clinician/scientist/leader in medicine; he oversees the training of 54 emergency medicine residents and fellows in 5 programs, the acute care research created by one of the consistently top funded EM departments in the US, and care delivered to nearly one million acutely ill or injured patients a year at 33 emergency departments and urgent cares in PA. He also is a senior physician leader at UPMC, the largest integrated academic finance and health care delivery system in the U.S.

Dr. Yealy obtained a bachelor of science degree in biology at Villanova University (1981) and a medical degree at the Medical College of Pennsylvania (1985). He then completed an emergency medicine residency and a research fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh. In his over 325 publications, he was lead or senior author on NIH-funded efforts in airway management, acute pneumonia and lower respiratory tract infection, acute heart failure, pulmonary embolism and sepsis care. Dr. Yealy is Deputy Editor of Annals of Emergency Medicine, edited four scientific textbooks (including the best-selling texts in emergency medicine and in trauma care) and serves as a referee for 20 scientific journals. His work has changed clinical care in many life-threatening conditions, with his publications guiding national recommendations and being cited thousands of times.

In October, Dr. Yealy joined a rare group in medicine and particularly emergency medicine, being elected to the national Academy of Medicine (formerly IOM) of the National Academies of Science. In the past decade, Dr. Yealy received the highest research recognition by both the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) and the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine (SAEM), the highest educational award by ACEP, and the leadership award for SAEM; he is the only emergency physician to receive those 4 awards. He was bestowed the Ralph C. Wilde Award for excellence in care and leadership by the Allegheny County Medical Society, and the Alumni Achievement Award of WMC/MCP, Drexel University College of Medicine.