

Alexander M. Rosenau, DO, FACEP, FACOEP, CPE

Speaker Profile

Alex Rosenau is a 1981 graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Following a traditional rotating internship Dr. Rosenau served in the US Public Health Service, National Health Service Corps. He was twice decorated, receiving the Achievement medal for bringing 24/7 emergency care and a full range of family medicine services to Sullivan County, PA.; subsequently he received the Corp's Commendation Medal for his response to multiple life threatening episodes in a single weekend. Twelve rotating medical students from PCOM lived and worked each month at the Sullivan County Medical Center under the tutelage of Dr Rosenau. Dr Rosenau continued his training in emergency medicine thereafter, graduating from Botsford General Hospital; with his previous service and residency training he qualified to sit for both the allopathic and osteopathic emergency medicine boards. He is a Fellow of the American College Emergency Physicians and the American College Osteopathic Emergency Physicians.

A 23 year career in Emergency Medicine ensued as Dr. Rosenau became the first emergency medicine residency trained physician in the Lehigh Valley Health Network. During his career Dr. Rosenau served as the medical director of the Allentown City Paramedics, directed the LVHN paramedic Institute and for 15 years co-directed the Eastern EMS Council. In 1994 he became the site director of the three hospital conjoined EM Residency, later created the First Nurse Guidelines for the Network EDs, optimized the paper chart prior to the EMR and then participated in the introduction of the T system EMR. He operationalized and researched the new Emergency Severity Index Triage System (as part of the 5 member ESI Research Team) which is rapidly becoming a standard across the US. Dr Rosenau created the compensation and incentive system currently in use for the ED providers and has served as the hiring manager for the majority of the current provider staff. In 1999 Dr Rosenau established the LVHN Emergency Medicine Residency in collaboration with a dedicated founding faculty and supportive network and Chair.

Alex Rosenau, DO is nationally recognized as a leader in Emergency Medicine, as a member of the Board of Directors of the American College of Emergency Physicians and having served as Chair of the ACOEP's EM Residency Program Directors' Committee, and President of the Pennsylvania Chapter, ACEP. He is one of five national advisors to the Society of Emergency Medicine Physician Assistants. In January Dr. Rosenau assumes the chairmanship of the Emergency Medicine Foundation which has granted over 9 million dollars in research grants since its inception. He currently serves as consultant to the CDC's Pandemic Flu Triage project. Dr Rosenau was recognized in October 2009 as a Certified Physician Executive by the CCMM.

In addition to his leadership and management activities as Vice Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine, Lehigh Valley Health Network, Dr. Rosenau is known as a mentor to many young physicians. He is a community leader, with service to the Boards (as Treasurer) of a local elementary school and a large community charitable organization.