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Vice-President of International Diabetes Federation (IDF) and Chair of the IDF Task Force on Diabetes Health Economics

In October, 2009, Jonathan B. Brown was elected Vice President of the International Diabetes Federation, where he has for many years chaired the Task Force on Health Economics, which is completing studies of the financial and social impact of type 2 diabetes in Africa (5 countries), China (14 regions), Kazakhstan, and Central America (5 countries).

Dr. Brown recently “retired” as Senior Investigator at the Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Research in Portland, where he published widely on the economics, epidemiology, and management of complex chronic health conditions, especially diabetes, for more than 20 years. In addition to his academic work, he co-led groups that created the first ongoing electronic clinical diabetes registry in a medical care system and dramatically improved the effectiveness of diabetes care. Before that, Dr. Brown taught health policy in the faculty of the Harvard School of Public Health. He earned both his professional masters degree in public policy and his PhD from Harvard University.

Dr. Brown continues to lead the development team for the Evidence-Based Medicine Integrator (EBMI), a new kind of free, open-source computer simulator that transparently combines clinical trial results with electronic medical record data to suggest treatments for individual patients and for populations.