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Dr. Wild has over 20 years experience as a practicing emergency physician ranging from small rural Georgia hospitals to large university teaching centers. He has served on the Medical School faculties of Boston University, University of Massachusetts, and Brown University and was Chairman of the department of Emergency Medicine and Chief of Emergency Services at a teaching hospital of Brown Medical School. He has taught emergency medicine, health policy and legal medicine to resident physicians and medical students and has served as his state medical specialty society president and also on several national emergency medicine association committees dealing with government affairs, coding, and physician reimbursement.

Dr. Wild has degrees in business and law and has practiced as a health care attorney with a large Boston law firm representing hospitals, physicians, skilled nursing facilities and a major Boston teaching hospital. He was medical director of Medicare's direct fiscal intermediary in Baltimore and also CMS (then HCFA) Chief Medical Officer for reimbursement policy during the initial implementation the Hospital Prospective Payment (DRG) system. He subsequently served on the Medicare Prospective Payment Assessment commission staff (now MedPac).