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Dr. Heiles is currently the VP and CAO of the Arkansas Colleges of Health Education and the Dean of the proposed Arkansas College of Osteopathic Medicine. Prior to his current appointment, he served as the Associate Dean of Graduate medical Education at Lincoln Memorial University DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine, for two and a half years. His primary responsibility is to develop and oversee Graduate Medical Education Programs that are affiliated with LMU-DCOM. Prior to this, he served as the Director of Medical Education and Family Practice Residency Director of the Osteopathic portion a dually accredited Family Medicine Program, in Pine Bluff Arkansas, for 19 years. In addition to that, he ran a rural family medicine practice in Star City, AR.

Dr. Heiles is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM), in 1984. He then completed an internship at Shenango Valley Osteopathic Hospital and a General Practice Residency at Millcreek Community Hospital. Upon completion of his residency, as part of a National Health Service Corp (NHSC) commitment, he was assigned to Star City, AR., for four years. After his NHSC time was up, he stayed in the underserved area for over 25 years.

Dr. Heiles has been very active in association, from local to national. He is a past President of the Star City Chamber of Commerce; he served as President of the Arkansas Osteopathic Medical Association (AOMA), on two occasions, Past President and current Secretary Treasure of the Arkansas Chapter of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP). In 2010-2011, Dr. Heiles served as the President of the National American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, and is still on their board.

He has been a Delegate to the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) House of Delegates for over 20 years, as well as the ACOFP Congress of Delegates for over 20 years. He currently serves as the Chair of the ACOFP's Committee on Education and Evaluation, as well as the AOA's Bureau of Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education Development, the Postdoctoral Training Review Committee, where he is currently the Vice-Chair, and the Bureau of Conventions.

Throughout his professional career, Dr. Heiles has been, and remains; dedicated to the training of primary care physicians to serve, primarily, the underserved regions of the country, as well as assuring the finest of care to all the patients he has touched.