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Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of the American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery and its Foundation from 2002-2014.

Through his vision, passion and dedication, Dr. Nielsen helped position the American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery for continued excellence in serving members and patients. Your donation will honor Dr. Nielsen and make a difference for years to come by investing in the future of the specialty by providing an on-going source of funding to be used needed most today and in future years.



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Dr. Nielsen has represented the Academy at the AMA House of Delegates, the American College of Surgeons Board of Governors, the Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS), the Specialty Society CEO Coalition (S2C2), of which he served two terms as the chair, and served on the Board of Directors of CMSS and the Executive Committee of the Physicians Consortium for Performance Improvement. He represented the Academy in the Practitioner's Work Group of the Ethical Force Program, which helped to better define confidentiality, security, and privacy criteria and measures for physicians in preparation for the implementation of HIPAA.

Dr. Nielsen was the Principal Investigator of the AAOHNS' annual quality conferences in 2006 and 2007. He has been invited to present the Academy's quality initiatives to CMS, AHIP, the PCPI, AAMSE, NCQA, SUO, The Joint Commission, and others, and as an invited panelist on the physician perspective at the National P4P Summit. He has written chapters on evidence-based performance measurement for two text books.

Under Dr. Nielsen's leadership of AAO-HNS/F that began in 2002 and ended in 2014, the Academy grew its member services, most notably in the area of quality improvement and patient safety, and maintained its worldwide leadership in education and its Annual Meeting & OTO EXPO<sup>SM</sup>, all while controlling operating costs and effectively integrating member services, clinical and health services, research support, education and health policy advocacy.