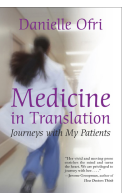
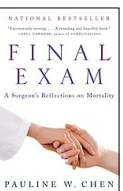
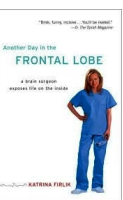
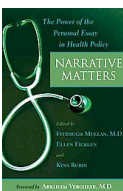
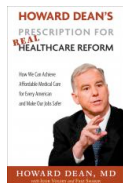


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Book selection - *Medicine in Translation: Journeys with My Patients*

Howard Dean, MD and former chairman of the Democratic National Committee (DNC)—served six terms as Governor of Vermont before running for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination in the 2004 election. Dean also founded Democracy for America (DFA), the grassroots organization that organizes community activists, trains campaign staff, and endorses progressive candidates. While he was Vermont's governor, the state expanded its universal healthcare program to cover nearly every child under age 18—and also lowered its public debt, balanced its budget, and reduced taxes.

Jay Baruch, MD is assistant professor of **emergency medicine** and director of the ethics curriculum at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. His short fiction has appeared in literary and medical journals. *Fourteen Stories: Doctors, Patients and Other Strangers* received 2007 ForeWord Magazine Book of the Year Honorable Mention in the Short Stories category.

Fitzhugh Mullan, MD is the Murdock Head Professor of Medicine and Health Policy and a professor at the George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He is a contributing editor of *Health Affairs* and a consulting editor to *Narrative Matters*. He is also a staff **pediatrician** at the Upper Cardozo Community Health Center in Washington, D.C. Mullan has served as Assistant Surgeon General under C. Everett Koop and as head of the U.S. Bureau of Health Professions.

Michael Palmer, MD is the author *The First Patient* (2008), *The Fifth Vial*, *The Society*, *Fatal*, *The Patient*, *Miracle Cure*, *Critical Judgment*, *Silent Treatment*, *Natural Causes*, *Extreme Measures*, *Flashback*, *Side Effects*, and *The Sisterhood*. His books have been translated into thirty-five languages. He trained in **internal medicine** at Boston City and Massachusetts General Hospitals, spent twenty years as a full-time practitioner of internal and emergency medicine, and is now an associate director of the Massachusetts Medical Society's physician health program.

Katrina Firlik, MD was the first woman admitted to the **neurosurgery** residency program at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, the largest—and one of the most prestigious—neurosurgery programs in the country. She is now a private practitioner in Greenwich, Connecticut, and a clinical assistant professor at Yale University School of Medicine.

Pauline W. Chen, MD is a **surgeon** and the author of *Final Exam: A Surgeon's Reflections on Mortality*. Her writing has appeared in *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times Book Review*, *Self* magazine, and *The Virginia Quarterly Review* and has been nominated for a National Magazine Award. Most recently, she was guest editor for the collection, *Best American Medical Writing 2009*. Named the UCLA Outstanding Physician of the Year in 1999, she currently practices in the VA Boston Healthcare System and writes a weekly *New York Times* column, "Doctor and Patient," that focuses on issues affecting the patient-doctor relationship.

Danielle Ofri, MD, PhD, DLitt (Hon) is an assistant professor of **medicine** at Bellevue Hospital and New York University School of Medicine. Dr. Ofri is the editor-in-chief and co-founder of the *Bellevue Literary Review*. She is the author of two essay collections about life in medicine—*Singular Intimacies* and *Incidental Findings*. She was also Associate Chief Editor of the *Bellevue Guide to Outpatient Medicine*, a textbook of internal medicine that was awarded the annual Best Medical Textbook award by the American Medical Writers' Association. Her newest book, *Journeys with My Patients*—about the immigrant experience in health care— will be published in early 2010.



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