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Dr. Bresler is a Clinical Professor in the Division of Emergency Medicine of the Stanford University School of Medicine, and former Director of the Department of Emergency Medicine of the Mills-Peninsula Health System. Well known as an educator, Dr. Bresler is frequently invited to lecture throughout the United States as well as internationally. His publications in the medical literature include a number of textbooks, textbook chapters, and peer reviewed journal articles.

Dr. Bresler has been quite active in a variety of health care arenas relating to Emergency Medicine. He has written both California and Federal health care legislation and has testified frequently on health care issues being considered by both the California state legislature and the United States Congress. Among his legislative accomplishments are a surcharge on vehicular fines, which raises over $200 million annually in California to support emergency care for indigent patients, a state law to prevent the "dumping" of medically unstable indigent patients from one hospital to another, and portions of the federal anti-dumping law which provide whistle blower protection.

Dr. Bresler has won the highest awards for leadership from both the American College of Emergency Physicians (Wiegenstein Award) as well as the California chapter (Edwards Award). He served for a number of years as Speaker of the National Council (House of Delegates) of the American College of Emergency Physicians, and before that as President of the California chapter. The American College of Emergency Physicians has designated Dr. Bresler as an Honorary Member and a Life Fellow of the College, as well as a Hero of Emergency Medicine.

Among Dr. Bresler's recent projects has been associate editorship of *The Textbook of Emergency Cardiovascular Care and CPR*, jointly published by the American Heart Association and the American College of Emergency Physicians. He is also co-editor and author of a newly published comprehensive textbook *Cardiovascular Emergencies* published by the American College of Emergency Physicians.