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Edward Martin, MD is the co-founder and Chairman Emeritus of Martin, Blanck & Associates, a federal health services consulting firm based in Falls Church, Virginia. Martin-Blanck provides critical assistance to public and private sector clients focused on federal and state health care delivery systems and services. Martin-Blanck has grown to two dozen senior executive partners with expertise in health care policy, program development, management, informatics, and strategic planning.

Dr. Martin had a distinguished 30-year career in public service as a commissioned officer in the United States Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, (formerly Department of Health, Education and Welfare). His last assignments were at the Department of Defense (DOD) where he served as the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), and, prior to this appointment, as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs). In the latter position, held from December 1992 to April 1997, Dr. Martin exercised day-to-day executive management and oversight of all Department of Defense (DoD) health policies, programs, and activities within the Military Health System (MHS). The Nation's second largest health care system, the MHS, delivers care to over 9 million beneficiaries through a worldwide network of more than 500 hospitals and clinics, and provides military beneficiaries with a triple-option health program.

In his two terms as Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, from January 1993 to March 1994, and from March 1997 until March 1998, respectively, Dr. Martin assumed responsibility for the overall supervision of the health and medical affairs of the DoD. He also served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Professional Affairs and Quality Assurance) from March 1990 until December 1992.

Dr. Martin arrived at the Pentagon in 1989 after 15 years of executive leadership positions with the Public Health Service (PHS). He served as Chief of Staff for C. Everett Koop, M.D., Surgeon General; Director, Bureau of Health Care Delivery and Assistance; Acting Deputy Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration; and Director, Bureau of Community Health Services. Dr. Martin was commissioned in the PHS in May 1975 and held the rank of Rear Admiral upon his retirement in April 1998.

From July, 2000 through December, 2004, Dr Martin was a Senior Vice President and the Chief Medical Officer at Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC).

Dr. Martin has written on topics ranging from rural health and primary care initiatives to quality of care. He is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including two Public Health Service Distinguished Service Medals, the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, and the Secretary of Defense Medal for Meritorious Civilian Service.