

## **John W. Burress, MD, MPH, FACOEM - Physician Representative**

Dr. John Burress is one of the Health Care Services Board's physician representatives. He is the Medical Director at the Boston Medical Center (BMC), Dept. of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. Dr. Burress is also Assistant Professor of Family Medicine, Boston University Medical School.

Dr. Burress completed medical school at the University of Kentucky, his Family Medicine Residency in Greenville, SC, and his MPH at the Harvard School of Public Health as part of his Occupational and Environmental Medicine Residency. Dr. Burress has maintained board certification in both specialties drawing on his primary care and strong clinical background in the daily care and evaluation of workers. Dr. Burress has directed internal employee health and care of external client base at BMC for the past 6 years. He works closely with BMC HR and contributes to their weekly FMLA meetings. At BMC/Boston University research support has been a significant additional theme. Utilizing his musculoskeletal and laceration repair skill sets, Dr. Burress enjoys caring for construction workers upon referral from a number of major general contractors. A primary professional objective, for Dr. Burress, is to build an excellent clinical teaching platform for residents in primary care, preventive medicine, and physiatry.

Dr. Burress has nearly 15 years of experience in disability management including physician level utilization review for the Mass. Workers' Compensation Unit and consultations at the Mass. Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission. Dr. Burress has served as President of the New England College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. He currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the Massachusetts Medical Society's Committee on Occupational and Environmental Health. Dr. Burress is a Senior Aviation Medical Examiner for the FAA.