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Thomas E. Stautzenbach is the executive director and CEO of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AAPM&R). He joined AAPM&R in March 2005.

Tom has spent his entire career in the health care industry working directly with health care providers, initially in hospital management and consulting with a special emphasis in strategic operations planning. A Certified Association Executive (CAE), he has been managing professional health care associations in the role of executive director since 1993. He began his association management career at Smith, Bucklin & Associates, the world's largest association management firm, serving as the executive director of multiple medical, surgical and dental professional associations and providing consulting services to a variety of non-profit association sectors. Prior to joining AAPM&R, Mr. Stautzenbach led the American Orthopaedic Association (AOA), the first national orthopaedic association in the world, working with orthopaedic leaders to develop a new vision for the association.

Mr. Stautzenbach received his bachelors degree and masters degrees in business administration, and masters degree in hospital and health administration from the University of Iowa. He is active in his local community through the Public Action to Deliver Shelter organization, has served on the Board of Trustees of the Interfaith House and currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Council of Medical Specialty Societies. Stautzenbach and his wife live in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and have two grown children and two overgrown Bernese Mountain dogs.