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Employment:

John Sloan Dickey Third Century Chair of Economics (2007-), John French Professor of Economics (1998-07), Chair (2004-06), Professor (1995-), Department of Economics, Dartmouth College

Professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine (1999 -), Senior Research Associate, The Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice (1995 -).

Visiting Fellow, European University Institute, Florence Italy (2004)

Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Virginia (1981-95)

Research Fellow in the Economics of Aging Program, National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge MA (1991-93)

Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Harvard University (1992-93)

Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Stanford University (Winter - Spring 1989)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Washington (Winter, 1987)

Education:

1983: Ph.D. in Economics, University of California, Los Angeles

1978: M.A. in Economics, University of California, Los Angeles

1977: B.A. (Magna Cum Laude) in Political Science and with Highest Honors in Economics, University of Rochester

Professional Activities:

Coeditor (1997 – 2002; 2007 -), Editor (2002-2007), Journal of Human Resources

Editorial Board (2007 -), Annals of Internal Medicine

Board of Editors (2007 -), American Economic Journals: Economic Policy

Coeditor, Economic Letters (1998 - 2002)

Editorial Board, B.E. Journals of Economic Analysis and Policy (2001-2005)

Member, Institute of Medicine, National Academies of Science (2007 -)

Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research (1989 -).

Data Monitoring Committee, Health and Retirement Study (2005 -)

Health Advisory Panel, Congressional Budget Office (2007-)

Program Committee, Meetings of the American Economic Association (2005).

Nominating Committee, American Economic Association (2003).

Member, Committee on National Statistics Panel on DHHS Collection of Race and Ethnicity Data, National Academy of Sciences (2002 - 03).

Board of Overseers, Panel Study of Income Dynamics, University of Michigan Survey Research Center (2000-6)

Steering Committee, Health and Retirement Study, University of Michigan Survey Research Center (2000 - 2002)

Consultant, Council of Economic Advisors, Washington DC (2001-2002)

Conference Organizer (with Hilary Hoynes), " The Impact of Recent Federal and State

Reforms in Public Assistance and Social Insurance Programs," NBER Universities Research Conference, Cambridge MA (May 1999)

Conference Organizer, "Behavioral Models of Saving and Public Policy," Russell-Sage Foundation and N.B.E.R. (June 1994)

Testimony before U.S. Senate Finance Committee on Individual Retirement Accounts and related saving incentives (September 1989; March 1990; May 1991; February 1995)

Consultant, Harvard Institute for International Development; study of income taxation in Malawi (June 1988 - June 1989)

Participant in World Bank Tax Reform Mission to Bangladesh (December 1986) and Malawi (May 1995)

Awards and Grants:

2001-2012 P-01 Award, National Institute on Aging, "Causes and Consequences of Health Care Efficiency" (Principle Investigator of Program)

2006-2008 Investigator Award, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

2003-2006 P-60 Award, Multidisciplinary Clinical Research Center (Principle Investigator of project on racial disparities in musculoskeletal diseases)

1999-2004 Co-Investigator, Spine Patient Outcome Research Trial (SPORT) (Randomized Trial of Back Surgery, James Weinstein, Principle Investigator)

Fall 2001 Dartmouth College Student Assembly Profiles in Excellence Teaching Award

1997-2001 KO-8 Award, National Institute on Aging, "Why Do the Rich Live Longer?" (Principle Investigator)

1997-2000 Investigator, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant "Is More Better?" (Elliott Fisher, Principle Investigator)

1996 The TIAA-CREF Paul A. Samuelson Award of Excellence (for "Precautionary Saving and Social Insurance").

1991-94 Senior Investigator; National Institute on Aging, "Demographics, The Housing Market, and the Welfare of the Elderly" (Daniel McFadden, Project Leader).

1990-93 Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation Grant (with G. Hubbard and S.

Zeldes), "The Importance of Precautionary Saving in the U.S. Economy and its Impact on Public Policy"

- 1987-88 National Science Foundation (with G. Hubbard and S. Zeldes), "Precautionary Saving in a Dynamic Model of Consumption and Labor Supply."
- 1986-90 National Science Foundation Supercomputing Grant, "A Dynamic Model of Consumption and Labor Supply."
- 1977 Phi Beta Kappa, University of Rochester

Publications in Economics Journals and Books

"Are You Sure You're Saving Enough for Retirement?" Journal of Economic Perspectives, Summer 2007; 59-80.

"Technological Diffusion from Hybrid Corn to Beta Blockers" (with D. Staiger). in E. Berndt and C. M. Hulten (eds.) Hard-to-Measure Goods and Services: Essays in Honor of Zvi Griliches. University of Chicago Press and NBER (forthcoming). Also available as NBER working paper No. 11251 (April 2005).

"The Incidence of Medicare" (with M. McClellan) Journal of Public Economics (January 2006): 257-276.

"The Measurement and Evolution of Health Inequality: Evidence from the U.S. Medicare Population," (with W. Zhou) in A. Auerbach, D. Card, J. Quigley (eds) Public Policy and the Income Distribution. New York: Russell Sage (2006). Also available as NBER working paper No. 10842 (October 2004).

"Geographical Variation in the Use of Effective Care in the United States" in David A. Wise and Naohiro Yashiro (eds.) Health Care Issues in the United States and Japan. Chicago: University of Chicago Press and NBER (2006): 195-208.

"The Efficiency of Medicare" (with E. Fisher and J. Wennberg), in D. Wise (ed.) Analyses in the Economics of Aging. Chicago: University of Chicago Press and NBER (2005): 129-57.

"Do the Rich Save More?" (with K. Dynan and S. Zeldes), Journal of Political Economy 112 (April 2004): 397-444.

"How Will 401(k) Pension Plans Affect Retirement Income?" (with A. Samwick), American Economic Review 94(1) (March 2004): 329-343.

"Area Differences in Utilization of Medical Care and Mortality Among U.S. Elderly" (with V. Fuchs and M. McClellan), in D. Wise (ed.) Perspective on the Economics of Aging.

University of Chicago Press and NBER (2004).

“Geography and Racial Health Disparities “ (with A. Chandra), in N.B. Anderson and R. A. Bulatao (eds.) Critical Perspectives on Racial and Ethnic Differences in Health in Late Life Washington DC: National Academy Press (2004):604-640.

“Medicare Upcoding and Hospital Ownership” (with E. Silverman), Journal of Health Economics 23(2) (March 2004): 369-89.

“The Importance of Bequests and Life Cycle Saving in Capital Accumulation: A New Answer” (with K. Dynan and S. Zeldes) American Economic Review 92(2) (May 2002): 274-78.

“What Accounts for the Variation in Retirement Saving Across U.S. Households?” (with B. D. Bernheim and S. Weinberg), American Economic Review 91(4) (September 2001): 832-57.

“Saving Puzzles and Saving Policies in the United States” (with A. Lusardi and S. Venti), Oxford Review of Economic Policy 17(1) (April 2001): 95-115.

Federal Medicare Transfers Across States: A Lifetime Perspective” (with D. Feenberg), National Tax Journal 52(3, Pt. 2) (September 2000): 713-32.

“Regional Inequality in Medicare Spending: The Key to Medicare Reform” (with J. Wennberg) in A. Garber (ed.) Frontiers in Health Economics 3 (MIT Press, 2000): 69-90.

“Did Individual Retirement Accounts Actually Raise Revenue?” (with B. Dusseault), Tax Notes 17(4) (February 2000).

“How Much is Enough? Efficiency and Medicare Spending in the Last Six Months of Life” (with J. Wennberg) in D. Cutler (ed.) The Changing Hospital Industry: Comparing Not-for-Profit and For-Profit Hospitals . Chicago: University of Chicago Press (2000)

“Distributional Effects of Medicare” (with J. Lee and M. McClellan) in J. Poterba (ed.) Tax Policy and the Economy 13. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press (1999): 85-107

“Will Aging Baby Boomers Bust the Federal Budget?” (with R. Lee), Journal of Economic Perspectives 13(1) (Winter 1999):117-140.

"Abandoning the Nest Egg? 401(k) Plans and Inadequate Pension Saving" (with A. Samwick) in J. Shoven and S. Shieber (eds.) Public Policy Towards Pensions (Cambridge MA: MIT Press, 1997).

“Regional Disparities in Medicare Expenditures: Opportunity for Reform” (with E. Fisher), National Tax Journal 50 (September, 1997): 413-25.

"Assessing The Effectiveness of Saving Incentives" (with R. G. Hubbard) Journal of Economic Perspective. 10(4) (Fall 1996): 73-90.

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Book Reviews, Reports, and Notes:

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Comment on "Aging and Housing Equity: Another Look," by Steven F. Venti and David A. Wise, in D. Wise (ed.) Perspective on the Economics of Aging. University of Chicago Press and NBER (2004).

Comment on "The Economics of Bequests in Pensions and Social Security," by Martin Feldstein and Elena Rangelova, in Martin Feldstein and Jeffrey Leibman (eds.) *The Distributional Aspects of Social Security and Social Security Reform* Chicago: NBER and the University of Chicago Press (2002).

Review of Henry Aaron (ed), *Behavioral Dimensions of Retirement Economics* in The Journal of Economic Literature 34(3) (September 2001).

Birkmeyer JD, Birkmeyer CM, Skinner JS. Leapfrog Patient Safety Standards: Economic Implications. Washington, D.C.: The Leapfrog Group, 2001.

Comment on "Patient Welfare and Patient Compliance: An Empirical Framework for Measuring the Benefits from Pharmaceutical Innovation," by Paul Ellickson, Scott Stern, and Manuel Trajtenberg, in David M. Cutler and Ernst R. Berndt (eds) *Medical Care Output and Productivity*. Chicago: NBER and University of Chicago Press (2001).

Comments on chapters by (1) Deaton and Paxson, (2) Lazear, and (3) Poterba, Venti, and Wise, in David Wise (ed.) Studies in the Economics of Aging. Chicago: University of Chicago Press (1994).

Review of Richard Bird, *Tax Policy and Economic Development*, in National Tax Journal (March 1993).

"Raising Revenue Without Raising Tax Rates," (with Dan Feenberg) Tax Notes (February 15, 1993).

"Individual Retirement Accounts," New Palgrave Encyclopedia of Money and Finance 1993.

"The Elusive Link Between IRAs and Saving" in Marvin Kosters (ed.) Personal Savings, Consumption, and Tax Policy. Washington DC: American Enterprise Institute (1992).

Review of Carolyn L. Weaver (ed.) Social Security's Looming Surplus, in Journal of Economic Literature (March 1992).

Comment on MaCurdy and Shoven, in David Wise (ed.) Issues in the Economics of Aging. Chicago: University of Chicago Press and NBER (1992).

Review of Dwight Lee (ed.), Taxation and the Deficit Economy, in Journal of Economic Literature (March 1988).

Review of Charls Walker and Mark Bloomfield (eds.), New Directions in Federal Tax Policy for the 1980s in Journal of Economic Literature (December 1984).

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“Technological Innovation and Expenditure Growth in Health Care,” (with A. Chandra), February 2008. (Under revision, Journal of Economic Literature)

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