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Clinical Interests Richard Kravitz is Professor and Co-vice Chair for Research, Department of Internal Medicine, University of California, Davis. His primary research interests include patients as agents for quality, the causes and consequences of physician behavior, and improving care for mental health conditions in primary care settings.

Over 20 years ago, he and his Medical Outcome Study co-authors reported on the relationship between patient mix, utilization of health care services, physician specialty and system of care. He has since examined patients' expectations for care, how physicians respond to patients' requests for services, and how direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription drugs influences physician decision making in depression.

He's currently working on a project evaluating targeted and tailored messaging to enhance care seeking for depression in general medical practices. Two of his many publications have received national awards (Article of the Year from Academy Health). Since 2009, he has served as Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of General Internal Medicine. A Fellow of the American College of Physicians and Academy Health, Dr. Kravitz is a graduate of Stanford University and UC San Francisco School of Medicine. He completed additional clinical and research training at UCLA, where he served on faculty until his 1993 arrival at UC Davis.

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