As medical schools attempt to educate tomorrow’s doctors, rising cost has been a constant challenge. Dr. Jenson will share the insights and experiences from his highly accomplished career in medical education and practice including as the founding dean of the WMU Homer Stryker MD School of Medicine. More specifically, he focuses on the way medical education is evolving in the United States, with lingering challenges that undermine the major aspects of a medical education system: access, cost, and quality.

Directions and Challenges in Medical Education in the United States: An Educator’s Perspective

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