

# WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED “ALLIED HEALTH” AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?

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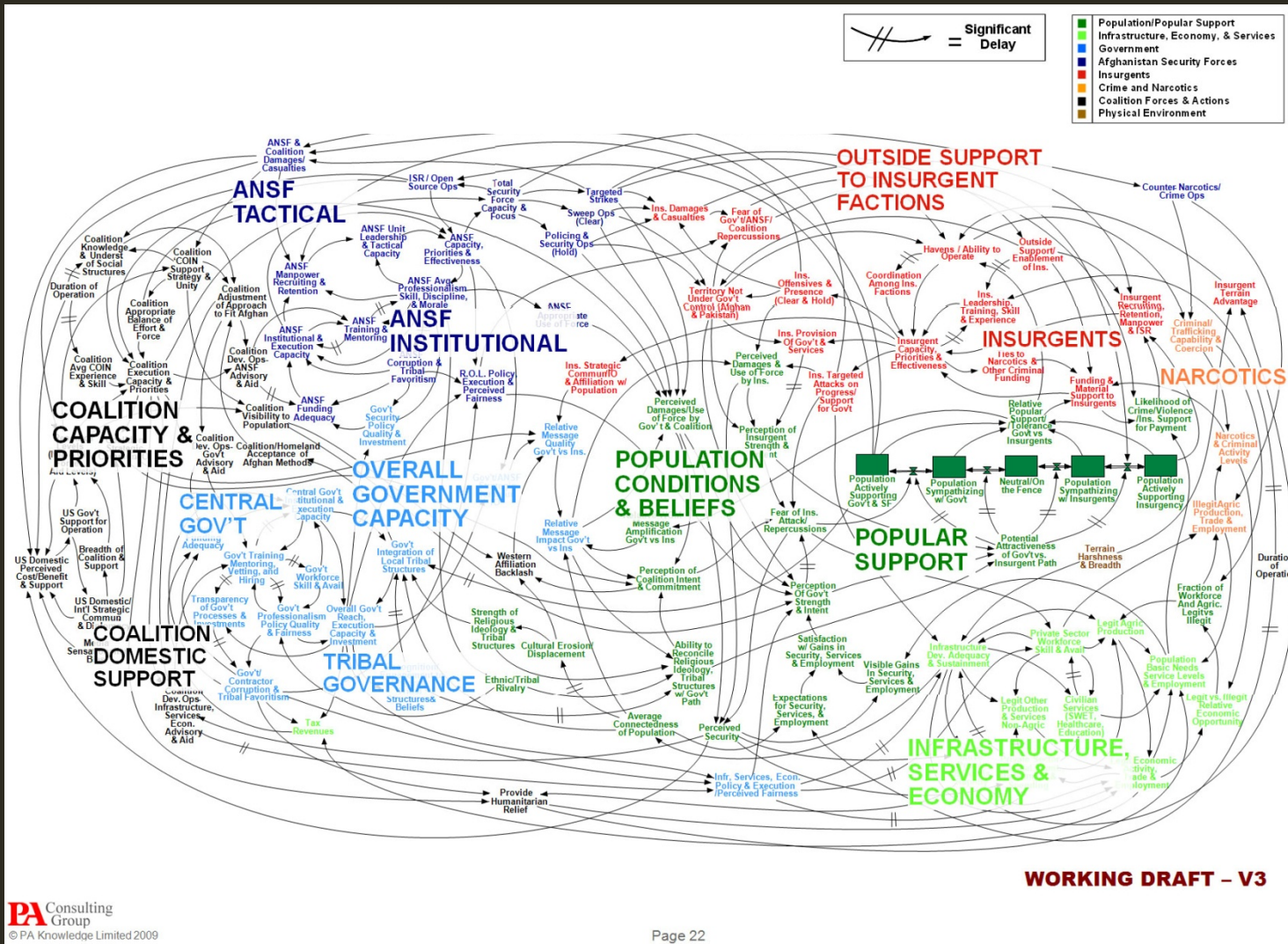
Fred Lenhoff, aka,

Freddy Flow, aka,

Frederick von Flowenstein, III, esquire

*The Oldest Living Rapper in Captivity (patent pending)*

# OUR ROAD MAP



WORKING DRAFT - V3

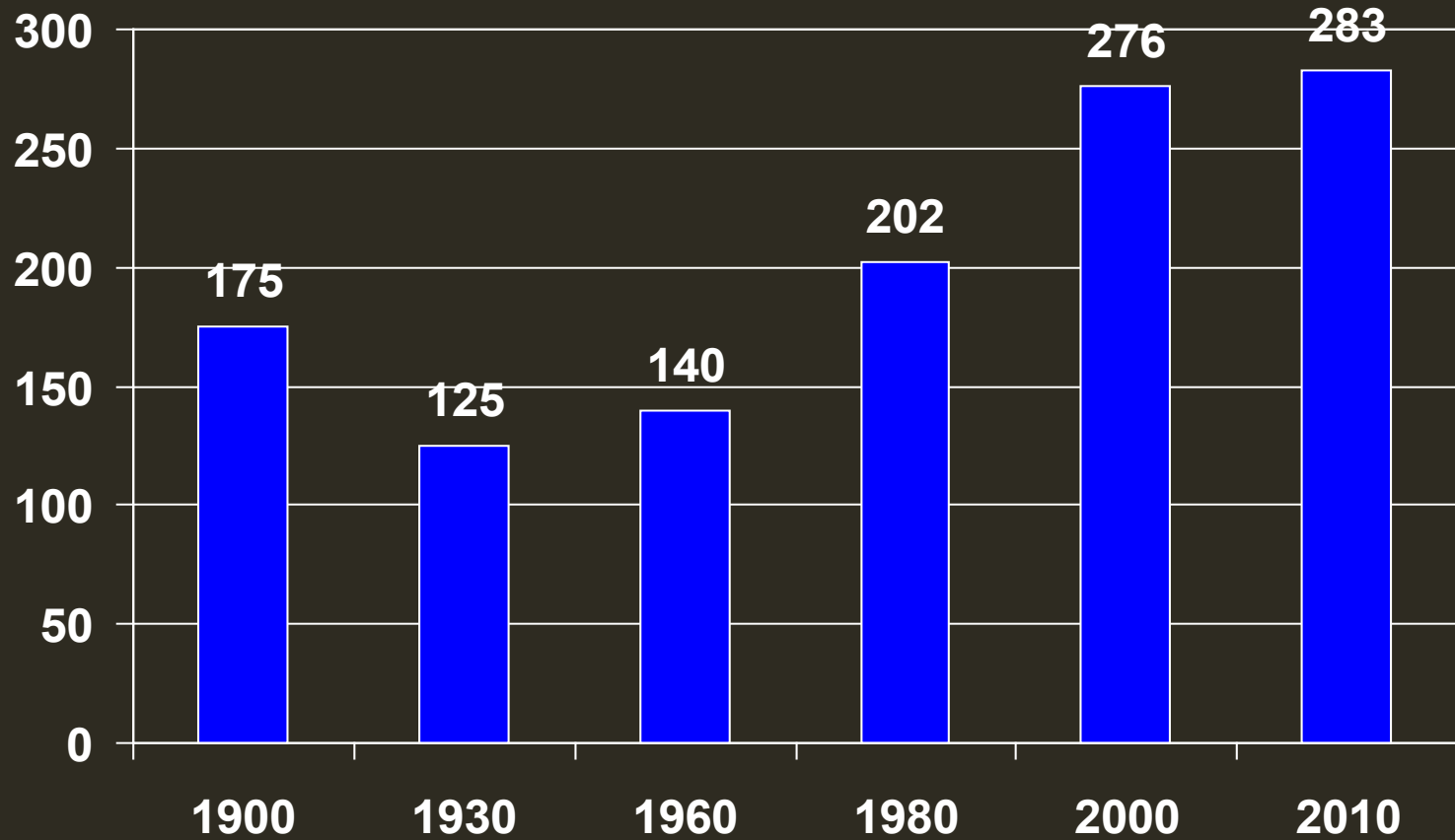
# THE REAL ROAD MAP: THE RULE OF 3

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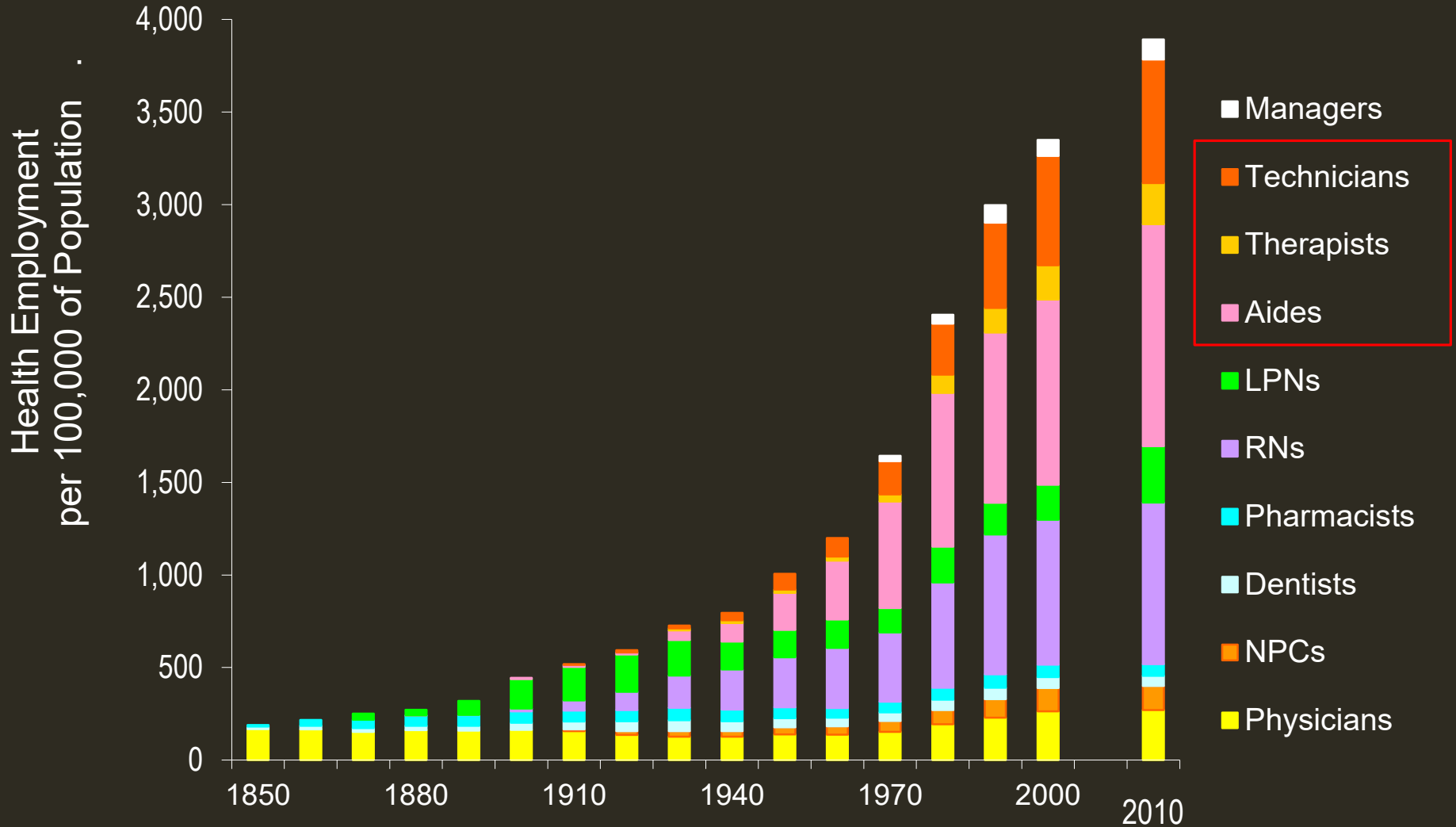




# PHYSICIANS PER CAPITA



# HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE GROWTH



Adapted from Kendix and Getzen and the Bureau of Labor Statistics

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN ALLIED HEALTH

1930s OT, PT, med tech

1940s Health info admin, radiography

1960s MA, NMT, respiratory therapy,

1970s PA, DMS

1980s Cardio tech, AA, med illustrator

1994 CAHEA has left the building!



# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

1926 "Allied sciences": doctorate in physiology, biochemistry, pharmacology, general science

1930s "Paramedical education at the technical level" provided by "technical schools"

1957 Committee on "Paramedical Areas in Relation to Medicine"; fields in "ancillary or paramedical areas"

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

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1957 Allied scientists—Ph.D. colleagues in anatomy, biochemistry, microbiology, pharmacology, physiology, psychology; primarily researchers and educators

Professional and technical personnel—  
Provide “direct services to the physician and his patients” (examples: med tech, rad tech, OT, PT, social work)

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

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1960s "Technical schools" in health fields now  
"schools in areas allied with medicine"

1969 "Allied health professionals": "exercise  
independent judgment within their  
areas of competence" (with oversight)

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

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1970 Replaced "ancillary" and "paramedical" in AMA statements with "allied."

"Understandingly disturbing to many health disciplines who have come to merit an increasingly important role in the delivery of care... they are more truly *allied* with rather than subordinate or secondary to medicine."

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

1970s Allied health manpower—Patient care, public health, research; assists other professionals to provide health services

Allied medical manpower—Under physician supervision, provides medical services while exercising independent judgment

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

1986

Allied health—"Large cluster" of health care professions who assist, facilitate, or complement physicians' work; *and* who choose to be identified as allied health personnel."

Definitions vary "due to its changing nature and to the differing perspectives of those who attempt its definition and because certain medically related but traditionally parallel or independent occupations prefer identities independent of allied health (nursing, podiatry, pharmacy, psychology). Others may or may not (dietitians/nutritionists, speech pathologists, audiologists, public health).

# AMA'S LONG HISTORY IN "ALLIED HEALTH"

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1986 MODVOPP: Medicine (allopathic),  
Osteopathic medicine, Dentistry,  
Veterinary medicine, Optometry,  
Podiatry, and Pharmacy

*MIA:*

*Nursing, public health, clinical  
psychology, dietetics/nutrition,  
speech pathology, audiology,  
chiropractic*

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# OTHER MORE RECENT ATTEMPTS

2005 “Allied health professionals are health care practitioners with formal education and clinical training who are credentialed through certification, registration, and/or licensure.” (HPN, NN2, and ASAHP)

2015 ASAHP: “Allied health may be defined as those health professions that are distinct from medicine and nursing.”

# HEAD 2: ALL ABOUT MOI



# FREDDY FLOW'S HISTORY IN ALLIED HEALTH

1993 AMA Alliance

1994 CAHEA out; CAAHEP in

1995 HPN formed

1995 AMA medical education department

1995-2012 Health Care Careers Directory



# FREDDY FLOW: TALK OF THE TOWN

- 1996 ?
- 1998 ASAHP Allied Health Data Collaborative
- 1998 CAAHEP
- 2001 HPN (Chicago)
- 2003 HPN
- 2004 CAAHEP
- 2004 NCHSTE
- 2011 NSAH, NN2
- 2012 HPN



# HEAD 3: BUT WHY...?





## ICE-OFF



*[T]he history of allied health mirrors the history of medicine and its trend towards increased specialization along with advances in medicine and medical technology. As allied health professions continue to grow and develop separate identities and greater public awareness, how do we maintain cohesion and collaboration? Without a strong, unified voice, allied health—particularly fields with less visibility and lower educational requirements—are at risk of reduced funding for workforce development and education.*

# WORK THE CORE?

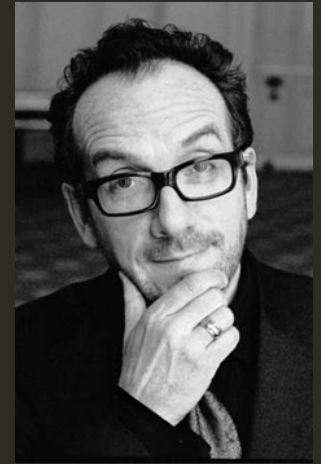


- > Medicine vs allied health—  
centripetal vs centrifugal
- > All physicians are physicians
- > One year of “allied health school?”
- > “Certificate of Allied Health?”
- > Core curriculum for allied health?

# IS “THE SYSTEM” WORKING?

- > Multiple credentialing, accreditation groups
- > Confusion among public, employers, and policy makers
- > *Mea culpa?* (that is, *Ama culpa?*)

# HOW WILL HISTORY JUDGE US?



Who is allied health's Flexner?

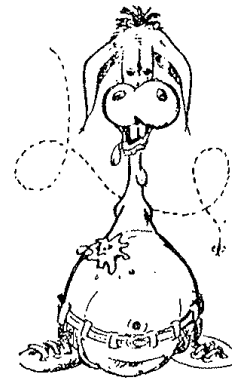
What is our "Flexner moment?"

From "allied health" to "all health"

*"History repeats the old conceits  
The glib replies, the same defeats  
Keep your finger on important issues  
With crocodile tears and a pocketful of tissues"*



# LYNN BROOKS: A RETROSPECTIVE



From The  
Desk Of:

Lynn Brooks

# FREDDY FLOW'S ALLIED HEALTH HOP-HIP

All right y'all, Freddy's got a new flow on,  
Allied health's the name, let's get this game on.  
Stealthy like a B-1, but gets some wealthy,  
Not like Beyonce, but the bank account's healthy.  
While you help protect the health of the community,  
You'll get and you'll give back, and pretty soon you'll see  
The difference you make by choosing a new road:  
Professional pride, mad skills—I sing this ode  
to alert y'all to a new way of thinking.

Doctor's a great field but you won't be stinkin'  
of money till you put in years of hard labor.

7 to 10 minimum, might be hard to savor

Your youth—then the bills start comin' in.

But allied health gets you in and out and bringing in

Paper – so come on y'all, check it out

Allied health's got a wealth of choices, no doubt.  
(chorus)

Athletic trainers help those draining 3-pointers

Music and art therapy for the artistically anointed

Medical assistants handle clinical and admin,

Communicate and follow up so patients don't begin again.

Health IT is it for you tech nerds

And those who don't like blood (I'm with you, word).

Are you pathological? Check out the clinical lab

Surgical tech if the O.R. is ab fab.

These fields are hot now, and hot for the future

as Americans get older, so sew a suture in time

Right now, check out what I'm preaching.

Don't believe me? Then get you some teaching.

Try [healthpronet.org](http://healthpronet.org) for the real deal

My work's 'bout done here, I'm fixing to steal

on out – but can I get an “Amen”?

Or an A-plus grade on this grade-A spin?