Faculty Biography

Francis A. Farraye, M.D., MSc, Clinical Director, Section of Gastroenterology, Co-Director, Center for Digestive Disorders and Director of the Inflammatory Bowel Disease Center, Boston Medical Center, Professor of Medicine, Boston University School of Medicine.

Dr. Farraye received his medical doctorate from Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York. He completed an internal medicine residency and gastroenterology fellowship at the Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. Dr. Farraye received a Masters Degree in Epidemiology from the Harvard School of Public Health.

Dr. Farraye's clinical interests are in the care of patients with inflammatory bowel disease and the management of colon polyps and colorectal cancer. He is currently investigating C. difficile infection in IBD patients, the management and diagnosis of dysplasia and cancer in patients with IBD; social media use and health literacy in IBD patients; hepatitis B vaccination efficacy in patients with IBD; and the role of serrated polyps as an alternative pathway to the development of colorectal cancer.

A frequent speaker and invited lecturer on topics on the diagnosis and management of inflammatory bowel disease, Dr. Farraye has authored or co-authored over 400 original scientific manuscripts, chapters, reviews, and abstracts. He is the series editor for the text Curbside Consultations in Gastroenterology and co-wrote the text, Curbside Consultation in Inflammatory Bowel Disease and Gastrointestinal Emergencies. His newest books for patients are Questions and Answers about Ulcerative Colitis, Questions and Answers about Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis for Dummies.

Dr. Farraye is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, American Gastroenterological Association and the American College of Gastroenterology. He has served on numerous national and international committees including as a member of the ACG Board of Trustees. The New England CCFA named Dr. Farraye Humanitarian of the Year in 2003. In 2009, the ACG awarded Dr. Farraye the William Carey Award for service to the college. Dr. Farraye has been recognized as "Top Doctor" in Gastroenterology by Boston Magazine and U.S. News and World Report since 2010.