

2011 8th Annual MHA Business Summit Speakers

Keynote—The Honorable William H. Frist, MD



- 18th Majority Leader, U.S. Senate, 2003-2007
- U.S. Senator from Tennessee, 1995-2007
- Heart-Lung Transplant Surgeon
- Leading Voice on the Healthcare Debate
- Board Member, Clinton Bush Haiti Fund
- Co-chair, Partnership for a Healthier America
- Founder, Tennessee State Collaborative on Reforming Education (SCORE)

As a United States Senator, Bill Frist emerged as one of the leading voices on health issues in America today. He fought hard to strengthen Medicare, provide seniors with better access to prescription drugs, and make health care more affordable and available to every American.

During his twenty years in medicine, Bill Frist performed over 150 heart and lung transplant procedures -- including the first lung transplant, the first pediatric heart transplant and the first combined heart-lung transplant in the Southeast. He also wrote over 100 articles, chapters and abstracts on medical research and co-wrote *Grand Rounds in Transplantation*.

Senator Frist served as the 2007-2008 Distinguished Schultz Professor of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School. He is currently a distinguished professor at the Vanderbilt Owen Graduate School of Management where he is leading a first-of-its-kind academic experience.

In October 2009, Senator Frist's latest book, *A Heart to Serve: The Passion to Bring health, Hope, and Healing* was released. He shares his unique experience as a heart transplant surgeon and U.S. senator to inspire people to make a difference wherever they are and whatever position they are in by helping others, risking failure, challenging the status quo, and above all, having a heart to serve.

Keynote—John F. Crowley



Chairman & CEO, Amicus Therapeutics

John F. Crowley is an American business and social entrepreneur – and a true inspiration. His courage and unwavering dedication to saving his children’s lives is detailed in the feature film *Extraordinary Measures*. Crowley is Chairman and CEO of Amicus Therapeutics, a 100-person publicly held biopharmaceutical company working on the development of drugs to treat a range of human genetic diseases. His involvement in the biotech industry goes back over a decade and stems from the 1998 diagnosis of his two youngest children, Megan and Patrick, with Pompe disease, a rare and fatal neuromuscular disorder. Crowley embarked on his journey as an entrepreneur to find a treatment that would save his kids’ lives – and the lives of thousands of others – parlaying his personal struggles and determination into a series of highly successful biotech business ventures and keynote speeches.

Crowley’s fight against Pompe has been chronicled in *The Wall Street Journal*, a Harvard Business School case study, “Novazyme: A Father’s Love,” on *The Today Show*, and is the subject of a book by Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Geeta Anand, *The Cure: How a Father Raised \$100 million – and Bucked the Medical Establishment – In a Quest to Save His Children*. John and Aileen share their incredible journey in their new family memoir, *Chasing Miracles: The Crowley Family Journey of Strength, Hope and Joy*.