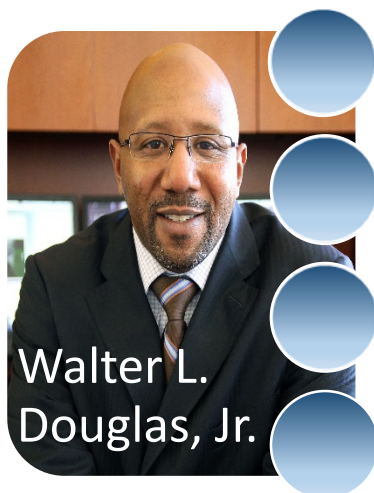




Group on Institutional Planning (GIP) Member Spotlight



Title and Institution: Chief Operating Officer, Rutgers - New Jersey Medical School

Education: BA, Psychology and Certificate in Finance - Rutgers University

Experience: Over 20 Years Experience In Academic Medicine and Higher Education

GIP Membership: GIP Member Since 2006, Former Chair, Membership Sub-Committee, 2015-2016 GIP National Chair

What are your main job responsibilities at your institution?

In my position, I have direct responsibility for the Facilities Planning and Management, Information Services Technology, and Marketing and Communications Groups. In addition, my duties include strategic planning, institutional advancement, labor relations, government and community affairs. I also serve as the unit liaison on a myriad of University-wide committees and workgroups.

What has been your most significant innovation/breakthrough/project/contribution at your institution? What are you most proud of?

There are four contributions I am most proud of during present tenure at New Jersey Medical School. The first is the opening a new comprehensive cancer center building, the second is bringing a Regional Bio-containment Laboratory (BSL3) on-line, third would be the redesign of the school's website and integration of social and digital media, and fourth would be the digital advances in the learning environment.

What advice would you share with someone who wants to further their career in planning?

To advance your career in planning, you must have vision and be able to interpret the vision of leadership; be able to project the costs and financial implications of any plan, and understand that all plans are fluid and successful implementation of any plan is based on good relationship management skills.

The AAMC and more specifically, the GIP, has provided me with a learning community where I have been able to grow as a professional, be mentored, and as I have grown professionally, mentor. I have developed great friendships across the country, and have been able to contribute to the national discussion on Academic Medicine and future of healthcare delivery in America.