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William G. Plested, III, MD, a thoracic and cardiovascular surgeon, is President of the American Medical Association (AMA). Since 1970, Dr. Plested has been in private practice in Santa Monica, California, and is currently a clinical professor of surgery at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) School of Medicine.

Dr. Plested has served in numerous leadership positions throughout his medical career, including President of the Los Angeles County Medical Association and the California Medical Association. He currently serves on the board of Santa Monica-UCLA Hospital.

Dr. Plested is also a member of several professional organizations, including the American College of Surgeons, American Society of General Surgery, Pacific Coast Surgical Association and the Society of Thoracic Surgeons.

As an AMA member since 1972, Dr. Plested has been an active and influential member of the AMA delegation from California and served as chair for the AMA Federation Study in 1995 and 1996.

Dr. Plested earned a medical degree from the University of Kansas Medical School, and he received his undergraduate degree from the University of Colorado.

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