

Jerome Buckley, MD

**Retired Chairman & Chief Executive Officer
COPIC**

A native of Hastings, Nebraska, Dr. Buckley received his medical degree from Creighton University in Omaha. Following an internship in Boston, he pursued a Pediatric residency at Children's Hospital in Denver and the University of Colorado. After serving as a pediatrician in the Air Force for two and a half years in Turkey, he did an Asthma, Allergy and Immunology fellowship at National Jewish Hospital and Research Center in Denver. In 1972 Buckley co-founded the Colorado Allergy and Asthma Clinic in Denver. In 1992 he received his MBA from the University of Colorado at Denver. Dr. Buckley is Board certified and a Fellow of the American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, the American College of Allergy and Asthma, and the American Academy of Pediatrics. He also belongs to the American Medical Association, Colorado Medical Society, and the American College of Physician Executives and is a member of other multiple professional societies. Buckley has been listed in Best Doctors in America, is author/co-author of numerous papers, a pulmonary function teaching monograph, an allergy/asthma textbook chapter and has been a frequent presenter at specialty medical meetings and liability insurance meetings. Dr. Buckley is past Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of COPIC Insurance Company, having retired from COPIC on March 1, 2005, to pursue non-profit activities.

As part of a documented history of service to the medical community, Buckley helped establish a clinic for the medically indigent (Metro Community Provider Network—MCPN) in Aurora, CO, which has grown into multiple, federally-funded clinics with metro-wide coverage. Buckley co-founded a camp for severely asthmatic children (Champ Camp) which is in its 25th year serving more than a hundred severely asthmatic children each year. Recently, Dr. Buckley was a volunteer member of a team who helped convince the citizen-leaders of Pueblo they could address the working uninsured in their community with a limited-benefit, health-coverage program which is now the Health Access Pueblo Program. He is also working with a team from the Cerebral Palsy Foundation in exploring a pilot project to address those children born with Neurological Impairments with a compensation program based on need and with accountability. He is currently serving on the Boards of several Colorado charitable organizations.

Dr. Buckley resides in Denver with his wife Susie, who shares his love for books and travel. He has a son and daughter, both married, and five grandchildren, all in Denver who are the "lights" of his life.