

John E. Crews, DPA

John E. Crews, DPA recently retired from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention in Atlanta after a career of twenty years. At the CDC, Dr. Crews was the Lead Scientist in the Disability and Health Branch in the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities. More recently, he was the senior scientist with the Vision Health Initiative in the Division of Diabetes Translation in the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

Early in his career Dr. Crews managed a rehabilitation program for older adults at the Michigan Commission for the Blind between 1977 and 1992. In 1992, he joined the Department of Veterans Affairs as director of the Rehabilitation Research and Development Center on Aging in Atlanta. Later, he was the Executive Director of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities. He joined the CDC in 1998. Dr. Crews currently works as a consultant with the Lighthouse Guild International in New York.

Dr. Crews' research interests include visual impairment and aging, multiple chronic conditions and vision, caregiving, and disability. He has over 125 publications. His first book, *Vision Loss in an Aging Society*, was published by AFB Press in 2000, translated, and published in Japan in 2003. His second book, *The Multiple Dimensions of Caregiving and Disability*, was released in 2012. In 2012, he co-edited a supplement to the American Journal of Ophthalmology on vision surveillance. He currently serves on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness. He is the past-chair of the Vision Care Section of the American Public Health Association. In 2015, he received the Corrine Kirchner Research Award from the American Foundation for the Blind, and in 2017 he received the Jenny Pomeroy Award for Excellence in Vision and Public Health from Prevent Blindness. Dr. Crews is married to Nancy M. Crews, a clinical social worker, and he has two children.

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