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Dr. James Pope is Chief Science Officer of Healthways, Inc., where he oversees medical and scientific integrity, analytic consultative services, process quality improvements, outcomes and applied research. He joined Healthways in 2003 and has served in various leadership roles during his tenure with the company, including Chief Medical Officer and Chief Operating Officer, prior to being named Chief Science Officer in 2008.

As Healthways Chief Operating Officer, Dr. Pope held responsibility for product development and delivery for all US business from 2006 to 2008, a time when Healthways achieved significant growth in revenue and net income. He established the Healthways Center for Health Research while serving as Chief Medical Officer, performing advanced analytics with data collected from millions of participants over twenty-five years of Healthways programming. As Chief Medical Officer he also led oversight of all medical quality initiatives and Informatics.

Dr. Pope has more than 25 years experience in health care, including 16 years operating a private cardiology practice in Tampa, Florida. He is the co-author of numerous journal articles and has held several executive positions, serving as President of the HeartCare Institute of Tampa and President and Medical Director of Florida Cardiac Network, an Independent Physician Association of over 100 cardiologists.

A past Consulting Associate at the Department of Medicine, Cardiology Section at Duke University, Dr. Pope has also served on the faculty at Wake Forest's Bowman Gray School of Medicine. He has served on the board of directors for DMAA: The Care Continuum Alliance and currently is on the board of IBI, a nonprofit health and productivity research company.

Dr. Pope received a Bachelor of Science from Washington and Lee University in 1975, and a Medical Degree from Eastern Virginia Medical School in 1978. He completed his postdoctoral training at Bowman Gray School of Medicine/North Carolina Baptist Hospital in 1983.