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Richard Lehman was a full-time general practitioner in Banbury for 32 years. For the last 19 years he has also written a weekly summary of the principal medical journals which is posted on the BMJ website. After retirement from UK general practice in 2010 he worked initially on studies of the patient experience, and spent a year at Yale University working on patient-centred outcomes and helping to set up the Yale Open Data Access (YODA) project. He remains a consultant to the group.

His main interest is in ways to develop better informed dialogue with patients and he is on the steering committees of the NICE shared decision making initiative and Academy of Medical Royal Colleges Choosing Wisely group. He is Senior Advisory Fellow in General Practice at the UK Cochrane Centre and has been invited by the University of Birmingham to set up a new unit for the Shared Understanding of Medicine. He was guest editor for the recent Sharing Medicine series in *JAMA Internal Medicine* (July-Aug 2017).