

William A. Grana, M.D., M.P.H. was born to his parents, Anthony and Marion Grana in St. Louis, Missouri. He was active in scholastics and sports throughout his primary and secondary education, and received recognition as the KMOX Prep Player of the Year for football in St. Louis in 1959. He received a scholarship to Harvard University where he completed his undergraduate ('64) and graduate medical studies ('68). While an undergraduate, he played on the 1961 Harvard team that won the Ivy Championship in football. He was recognized on the All Ivy Football Team in 1961, '62 and '63, and the All New England team in '63.

He began a residency in Orthopaedic Surgery at Barnes Hospital, Washington University, St. Louis, took a brief furlough to serve in the United States Air Force from 1970-1972, with one year in Vietnam, and then completed his orthopaedic residency in 1975.

He followed this up with a fellowship in sports medicine at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in 1975, where his mentor was Don O'Donohue, M.D.. He was board certified in orthopaedic surgery in 1976. After practicing for almost two decades he pursued and received a master's degree in public health in health administration and policy from the University of Oklahoma in 1995.

From 1975 to 2000 he was a member of the faculty at the University of Oklahoma College Of Medicine, ending as a clinical professor of orthopaedics and director of sports medicine. Dr. Grana was also an orthopaedic consultant to Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City University, a consultant to the Texas Rangers professional baseball team, and their Triple A affiliate, the Oklahoma Redhawks. Dr. Grana was the president of the largest practice in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Orthopaedics Inc.

He was a physician member of the U.S. Olympic Committee's 1985 Winter World University Games Team in Bulluno and Cortina, Italy; a member of the 1986 Olympic Festival medical staff in Houston, Texas; Head Physician for the United States Team at the 1987 Pan American Games in Indianapolis, Indiana; and a member of the USOC's medical staff at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, South Korea.

Nationally, he assumed the role of President for the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine for 2005/2006. Prior to that, he served 2 terms as Secretary on the AOSSM Board of Directors. He has served as the AOSSM's representative to The ACSM's consensus conferences for the sports medicine physician and currently is the at large representative for the AOSSM to the Board of Subspecialty Societies. He is the founding Editor-in-Chief for the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons' educational website, Orthopaedic Knowledge Online., is a member of the Council on Education of the AAOS and has served on many project teams for this group in directing the AAOS educational programs. Dr. Grana twice served on the Board of Directors of the Arthroscopy Association of North America and served as the Chair of its Fellowship Committee.

In May of 2000 Dr. Grana moved to Tucson, Arizona to be Professor and Head of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. He was a consultant to the Chicago White Sox and a

team physician for their Tucson spring training camps. He was also an orthopaedic consultant to The University of Arizona Athletic Department and regularly provided care to University of Arizona athletes.

He is the author of more than 100 papers in refereed journals, has written and edited three books, and multiple chapters in books on sports medicine. He teaches medical students at all levels and is a member of the Musculoskeletal Block faculty in the College of Medicine at The University of Arizona, and has his own elective for 2nd year students which surveys the field of orthopaedics and meets throughout the 2nd year one hour a week. Dr. Grana also created a Graduate Certificate in Orthopaedic Science for Graduate Students in Physiology and Engineering. Dr. Grana's current professional interests include sports-related problems that affect the knee, shoulder, ankle and elbow.

He and his wife Susan have a son, Bill and a daughter, Beth. They have 3 grandchildren who they visit often.