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## Summary Information

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## Biographical / Historical

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Karen E. Davis served as president of the Commonwealth Fund from 1995-2012. She spent a large part of her career at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health as a professor of economics, and later as chairman of the Department of Health Policy and Management. Karen Davis has since been involved in the Geisinger Health System, IOM governing Council and various IOM Committees, AcademyHealth, the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, the Agency for Healthcare Quality and Research (AHRQ) National Advisory Committee, and has served on the Panel of Health Advisors for the Congressional Budget Office.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes copies of Karen Davis' testimonies, speeches, and publications. Drafts, related research material, and correspondence are also present throughout the collection.

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## Arrangement

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