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Medical technology broadly defined to include all aspects of the process of treating disease (e.g., pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and surgical procedures) is profoundly important for individual health and, consequently, also for general welfare. Advances in medical technology convey the prospect of both improved population health and increased general welfare. However, because of the extensive regulation of the markets for healthcare goods and services, the development and application of medical technologies differs fundamentally from non-medical technological advances. In this volume of the series of *Advances in Health Economics and Health Services Research*, entitled *The Economics of Medical Technology*, we seek to publish papers that provide theoretical and empirical evidence about the market for medical technology.

The volume is planned to contain both theoretical and empirical contributions. Potentially interesting theoretical issues include, for instance, the linkage between public policy and individual demand for medical services on one hand, and resources put into research and development of medical technology on the other. Moreover, in the light of the ongoing demographic changes, medical technology is vital for future productivity and welfare. We seek empirical contributions that, for instance, test predictions produced by economic theoretical models or deal with the diffusion of new medical technologies.

Michael Grossman (City University of New York) and Björn Lindgren (Lund University) have been series co-editors for *Advances in Health Economics and Health Services Research* since 2005. In 2010, Bob Kaestner (University of Illinois at Chicago) and Kristian Bolin (Lund University) joined Björn and Michael as series co-editors for future volumes. Each volume has one or more editors. For this volume, Bob and Kristian will act as editors. For information on the series, see the publisher's website, www.emeraldinsigt.com.

We invite full papers. The papers will be initially reviewed and then subject to peer-review in order to ensure an appropriate balance of issues analyzed.

The following timeline applies: Submission of papers 15 May 2011; Initial decision 15 June; Peer-reviews finished 15 September; Submission of final papers 15 November

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