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Dr. Sieving is the Director of the National Eye Institute, a component of the National Institutes of Health. He came to the NIH from the University of Michigan and continues work in the genetic basis for retinal and macular degenerations and the basic biology of the retinal cells that degenerate and lead to vision loss. He also conducts clinical investigations with individuals who have these conditions and their families, and studies treatments that might slow the degeneration. Dr. Sieving has received many awards and honors, including the Senior Scientific Investigator Award from Research to Prevent Blindness, the Alcon Award from the Alcon Research Institute, and he is listed as one of the "Best Doctors in America." He has served on several NIH study sections to review grant applications, and on numerous editorial and advisory boards. He has received grant support from NIH and various foundations since 1982 to further his research.