

Kenneth C. Frazier

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, NJ, USA



Kenneth C. Frazier has served as the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, NJ, USA, known as MSD outside of the U.S. and Canada since 2011.

Under Ken's leadership, Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, NJ, USA is delivering innovative lifesaving medicines and vaccines as well as long-term and sustainable value to its multiple stakeholders. Ken has substantially increased our company's investment in research, including early research, while refocusing the organization on the launch and growth of key products that provide benefit to society. He has also led the formation of philanthropic and other initiatives that build on Merck's 125-year plus legacy. Ken joined the company in 1992 and has held positions of increasing responsibility including General Counsel and President. Prior to joining the company, Ken was a partner with the Philadelphia law firm of Drinker Biddle & Reath. Ken's contributions, especially in the legal, business and humanitarian fields, have been widely recognized. He sits on the boards of PhRMA, Weill Cornell Medicine, Exxon Mobil Corporation, and Cornerstone Christian Academy in Philadelphia, PA. He also is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, The Business Council, the Council of the American Law Institute, and the American Bar Association.

Ken received his bachelor's degree from The Pennsylvania State University and holds a J.D. from Harvard Law School.