

Biographies: Onward and Upward: The Legacy of Black Urologists in America



Arthur L. "Bud" Burnett II, MD, MBA, FACS

Dr. Arthur Burnett is the Patrick C. Walsh Distinguished Professor of Urology and Professor, Oncology Center, at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He is an accomplished urologic surgeon and scientist, recognized for diverse leadership and service roles in urologic healthcare, in areas of research, education, clinical practice and advocacy. Dr. Burnett specializes in sexual medicine, major pelvic reconstruction, voiding dysfunction, prostate cancer, and lower genitourinary tract malignancies. He is considered the world-authority in the science and medicine of male sexual dysfunction, and among his many academic contributions he made original scientific discoveries in the science of penile erection that paved the way for the development of oral medications to treat erectile dysfunction and was the lead urologic surgeon in the first-ever penis and anterior pelvis transplant surgery. He has written more than 400 original peer-reviewed articles, 50 book chapters and 3 books, along with numerous editorials and publications related to his biomedical research and clinical activities. He also founded and directs a non-profit humanitarian organization called UroMissionsWorks Incorporated.

He received his A.B. degree in Biology from Princeton University and M.D. and M.B.A. degrees from Johns Hopkins University. He performed his post-graduate training in general surgery, urology and genitourinary reconstructive surgery at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and was awarded an American Foundation for Urologic Disease new investigator scholarship. He is an

alumni member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society and Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Among various awards, Dr. Burnett received the Urology Care Foundation Distinguished Mentor Award in 2016, the Distinguished Contribution Award from the American Urological Association in 2018, the Ferdinand C. Valentine Medal from The New York Academy of Medicine in 2020, the Hugh Hampton Young Award from the American Urological Association in 2022, and the Excellence in Urology Award from the R. Frank Jones Urological Society in 2023.



Linda L. McIntire, MD

Linda L. McIntire, MD is a native of Detroit, MI. She is a graduate of Michigan State University (MSU) with a Bachelor of Science in physiology. At MSU, she became a member of Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc. She graduated from Wayne State University School of Medicine. Dr. McIntire is the first and only Black woman graduate of Wayne State School of Medicine to become board certified in Urology. She completed a general surgery internship at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN and a Urology residency at Henry Ford Health System in 2004.

After spending time in private practice, she spent over a decade caring for veterans' urological needs at both the Hampton VAMC and Aleda E. Lutz VAMC. She is currently employed at MyMichigan Health in Midland, Michigan.

She was honored to be a part of the first ever American Urological Society (AUA) Taskforce on Diversity and Inclusion and currently serves on the AUA Diversity and Inclusion committee. She is president of the R. Frank Jones Urological Society (RFJUS). As president of RFJUS, Dr. McIntire also serves as an editor for the Journal of the National Medical Association.

Through her roles with RFJUS and the AUA, Dr. McIntire created "PROSPECT." "PROSPECT" is a summer medical student fellowship for URiM students at four academic urology programs. Dr. McIntire will continue in her second year as director of the Diversity and Inclusion Course at the AUA International conference. In 2023, Dr. McIntire debuted a novel plenary session for urologists at the AUA international conference called "Cultural Complications". "Cultural Complications" is a patient case basis plenary session that teaches urologists how to recognize and address health care barriers for select patient groups. In addition, Dr. McIntire serves as a board member on the Hamilton Community Health Network which is a federally qualified health clinic that services the needs of patients in Genesee and Lapeer counties.

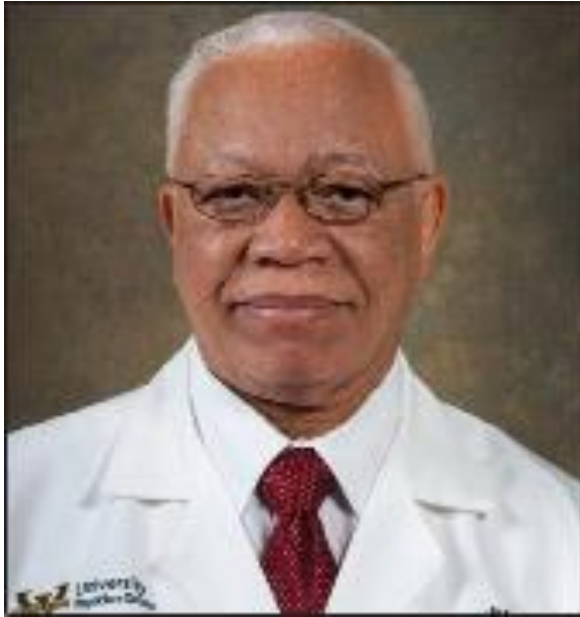


Melvin L. Hollowell, MD

Melvin L. Hollowell, MD FACS has practiced in Detroit, MI continuously for 64 years. He is a Clinical Professor of Urologic Surgery at Wayne State and Michigan State Universities. He served as Chief of Staff and Chief of Surgery for numerous Hospitals. He was elected past President of the Wayne County Medical Society (WCMS) where he has worked tirelessly to improve the health and access to health care for its predominantly African American population. He has been given the WCMS's highest award for lifetime achievement. He was appointed by the Governor to the Michigan Board of Medicine.

Dr. Hollowell is originally from Detroit. He completed his undergraduate studies at Wayne State University and pledged Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He went to Meharry Medical College and graduated with a Medical Doctorate in 1959. He joined the US Army, where he was stationed at the Tripler Army Medical Center. He served in the Korean War. He trained as a General Surgeon attaining the rank of Captain in the Army Medical Corps. Inspired by his commanding officer who was a urologist, Dr Hollowell returned to his hometown and became the first African American Urology Resident in the Mid-West at the Detroit Receiving Hospital-Harper University Health Center. When he finished his Residency, he became the 6th African American Board-Certified Urologist in the nation. Incredibly, he is still practicing at 93 years young. A testament to his love for Medicine and the lives he has changed throughout the years.

He is followed in Urology by his two sons Dr's Christopher and Courtney Hollowell. "Our father has taught us many things, most notably in the art of Medicine, and that you can heal as many patients as possible with respect and compassion and you can with a scalpel."



Issac J. Powell, MD

Dr. Isaac Powell professor of Urologic Oncology at Karmanos Cancer Institute and Wayne State University School of Medicine. He practices urologic oncology with an interest in prostate cancer. His grant funded research interests are in the genetics of prostate cancer development and the influence of race on cancer behavior, particularly in African American men. Dr. Powell is a thought leader in prostate cancer and has published extensively on this disease process.

The focus of his research is on the many ways prostate cancer impacts African Americans in comparison to other ethnic groups. Currently his research is directed toward ethnic differences in the biology/genetics of prostate cancer. He was principal investigator of a nation-wide consortium of recruitment centers (medical centers) to recruit families to examine hereditary prostate cancer among African Americans. He recently reported his initial results of 4 or 5 regions in the genome where genes responsible for hereditary prostate cancer may be found. As a part of an international consortium genetics group, he is comparing results with other centers around the world. In collaboration with others at his institution and other institutions across the United States, he is examining the androgen gene variation. He is also studying environmental factors that impact on genes such as diet and inflammation in correlation to clinical outcome. He was recently funded to examine Metabolic Syndrome and Prostate Cancer. Also, he recently completed a study using the DASL technique and found that 60% of the prostate cancer genes that are differentially expressed and associated with advanced disease are different among African American compared to European American men.

Dr. Powell completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Michigan, where he obtained a bachelor's degree in Zoology, in 1962. Later, he pursued and successfully completed

a master's degree program at Howard University in Embryology, 1965. Dr. Powell graduated from Indiana University Medical School, Indianapolis, Indiana in 1969.

Dr. Powell completed his internship, general surgery training and urology residency at Henry Ford Hospital. In 1974, he became the first African American graduate from the Henry Ford Hospital Urology program.

Professional Activities

- Past Board of Directors of Physicians Insurance Company of Michigan (PICOM)
- Past Vice Chairman of the Board and past Chairman of the Underwriting Committee and Risk Management Committee
- Past President of Michigan Urological Society (1988-1989)
- Wayne County Medical Society
- Michigan State Medical Society
- Detroit Medical Society
- American Urological Association
- Society of Basic Urologic Research
- Society of Urologic Oncology
- Southwest Oncology Group (SWOG)
- American Cancer Society, National Advisory Group on Prostate Cancer
- Prostate Cancer Education Council
- International Consortium for Prostate Cancer Genetics (I.C.P.C.G.)
- American Association Cancer Research #20510
- R. Frank Jones Urological Society

Honors and Awards

1998 President's Achievement Award for Community Research

1st International Prostate Cancer symposium for the patient 1998 Medical Professional Advocate Award

Howard University Cancer Center Award

Michiganian of the Year Award, 1995

Michigan Cancer Foundation Distinguished Service Award

The MDPH Distinguished Dr. Martin Luther King Award

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention the Department of Health & Human Service:
Outstanding Community Health Promotion Program

2001 American Cancer Society Award in Appreciation for the Commitment to Help Find a Cure

Karmanos Partners Award for Prostate Cancer Research

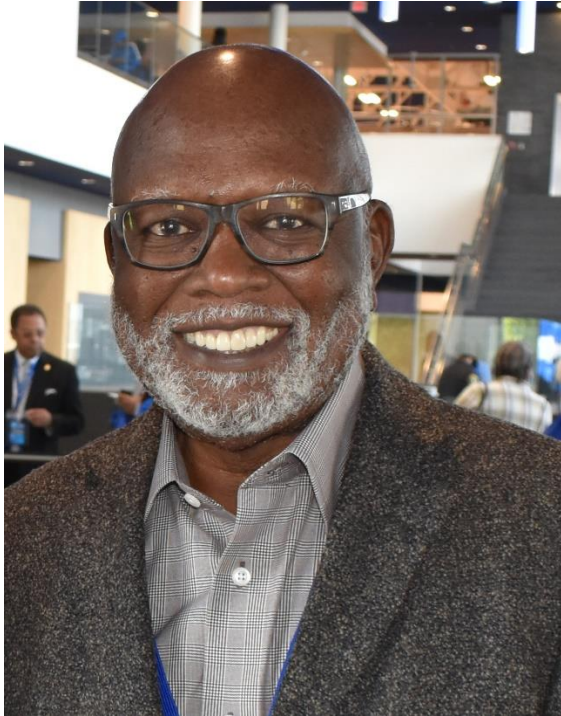
2003 Crain's Detroit Business Magazine, Healthcare Hero's: Outstanding Physician Achievement
Award

2003 America's Top Physicians

2007 Best Doctors - 2002, 2003 and 2007

2021 American Urological Association Presidential Citation

2023 Stellar Award R. Frank Jones Urological Society



Conrad C. Maitland, MD

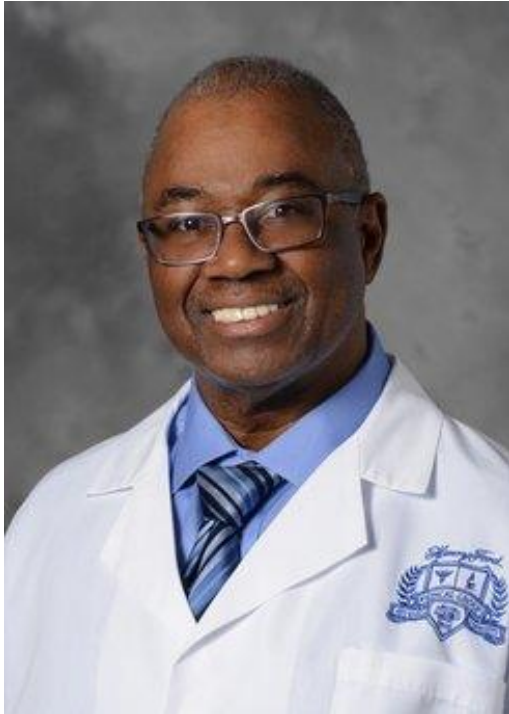
A native of Grenada, West Indies. Dr. Maitland is a graduate of Wayne State University School of Medicine. He obtained his formative years of schooling in the Caribbean, Grenada and under the British system of education before migrating to the United States to pursue his advance educational goals. He attended college beginning at New York University and ending at the University of Detroit; where he earned his BS degree in Biology, before attending medical school at Wayne State University. In 1978, he graduated from WSU medical school and commenced surgical residency at Sinai Hospital in Detroit. His urology residency was completed at WSU in 1983.

Medical school was never an initial dream. It became a reality during college. My family (Grenadians) always believe in upward mobility and great achievements, and he always have had great expectations for himself. "As a family, we always believe in being ambitious, hard work and dedication. Having been brought up that way, it was not difficult to pursue high educational professional goals."

This year, 2023 will mark 40 years of urologic practice. He has developed a Detroit community practice, serving the inner city. Dr. Maitland is Chief of Urology at the DMC- Sinai Grace Hospital, Site Director of the Urology Residency training program at Sinai Grace Hospital, a member of various hospital committees at the DMC including, Medical Executive Committee and Medical Staff Operational Committee. An original Member /Director of DMC-ACO, DMC-PHO; Reliance ACO, Reliance PHO & NexGen ACO.

A prostate cancer survivor himself, he has dedicated time and effort into prostate cancer awareness and treatment through his practice and charity foundation – Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund and an ardent active participant in Michigan Urological Surgery Initiative Collaborative. His dedication to service and prostate cancer prevention takes him to his native Grenada, once a year, sometimes twice a year on a urologic mission, He passionately believes that prostate awareness and early detection saves lives.

I consider myself “home grown” in Detroit. I always wanted to remain in the neighborhood, the place where I could do the best for the people in most need, I always felt the local community is where I could make the most impact or contribution, giving back the most to the ones who need it. I will never stop.



Ray H. Littleton, MD

Dr. Ray Littleton M.D. F.A.C.S. a board-certified Urologist at Henry Ford Hospital. He is a graduate of Cass Technical High School. In 1975, He received his Bachelor of Science in Pre Med and Medical Degree at the University of Michigan. After he completed residency training at Henry Ford Hospital, he was named Chief Resident in Urology. He graduated from the HFHS Urology program in 1980. He is also a clinical assistant professor of Urology at Wayne State University.

He joined the Senior Staff at Henry Ford Hospital in 1980 and helped pioneer minimally evasive surgery by performing the first percutaneous kidney stone removal in Michigan in 1983. He also performed the first shockwave lithotripsy for kidney stones in Michigan in 1985.

He has been honored by the Hour Detroit Magazine several times by being named one of Michigan's top Docs. He has spoken at several Detroit area churches, public schools for Career Day, and medical conferences. He has also appeared on Television News shows during Prostrate Cancer Awareness month, as well as participated in Annual Prostate Screening Programs around the city for the organization called 100 Black Men of Detroit. Dr. Littleton was also a former advisor to the Randolph Wallace Kidney Research Foundation and served on the board of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan. In addition, Dr. Littleton was called upon to endoscope the bladder of a 350-pound Sumatran Tiger named Paul at the Detroit Zoo in 1997.

Dr. Littleton has been practicing medicine continuously for 43 years and is currently Co-Director of Endourology and Lithotripsy with the Henry Ford Hospital Vattikuti Urology Institute.

Dr. Littleton has membership in several medical societies including, AMA, AUA, NCSAUA, NMA, and has been past president for the Michigan Urological Society (1993-95). He also chaired the R. Frank Jones Urological Society, which is the Urology Section of the National Medical Association (1990-92). He is also a strong supporter of DEI for URiM students and is currently a member of the PROSPECT team. PROSPECT aims to expose and engage URiM students to urology.

Dr. Littleton has been married to his wife, Marcia, for 46 years. They have 3 sons, Dr. Jason Littleton of Orlando, Florida, Attorney Ray Littleton of Farmington Hills, and Kevin Littleton, an investment banker in New York. He also has two daughters in law and 4 grandchildren.