

The Homer G. Phillips Public Health Lecture Series
Previous Honorees and Lecturers

Year	Honoree	Lecturer
1996	William L. Smiley, M.D.	LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr. M.D.
1997	Henry Hampton, M.D.	Henry Hampton, Jr.
1998	Andrew Spencer, M.D.	Henry Foster, M.D.
1999	Frank Richards, M.D.	Clive Callender, M.D.
2000	John Gladney, M.D.	Levi Watkins, M.D.
2001	Homer Nash, M.D.	Audrey Forbes Manley, M.D.
2002	Mary A. T. Tillman, M.D.	Beverly Coleman-Miller, M.D.
2003	Leslie Bond, Sr., M.D.	Vanessa Northington Gamble, M.D., Ph.D.
2004	R. Jerome Williams Sr., M.D.	L.D. Britt, M.D., M.P.H.
2005	Walter Washington, M.D.	Kristy Woods, M.D., M.P.H.
2006	Homer G. Phillips Nurses	Andrew Ziskind, M.D.
2007	Annie Malone Children & Family Services	Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D.

Homer G. Phillips and the Legacy of Public Hospitals in St. Louis

In 1905 Dr. John Green, President of the St. Louis Medical Society, with a keen understanding of the plight of public hospitals in other cities issued this charge to St. Louis physicians on the eve of opening a new City Hospital:

“Will it vouchsafe to the pauper a medical care equivalent to that which his pecuniarily more fortunate fellow citizens receive? Will it fulfill to the utmost its function of providing instruction in practical medicine to the undergraduate student? And will our hospital be thoroughly in accord with the spirit of medical enlightenment?”

*Presidential Report, St. Louis Medical Review
January 14, 1905*

A succession of public hospitals failed in that charge -- City Hospital No. 1 (Max C. Starkloff), City Hospital No. 2, and St. Louis County Hospital, despite their professed missions, opened as segregated facilities. Only under duress, and toward the twilight of their existence, did they admit and treat irrespective of race, creed or color. There is one bright exception, the Homer G. Phillips Hospital. It opened its doors as a truly “public” facility in 1937, still shrouded in intrigue after the mysterious assassination of its main advocate and benefactor, attorney Homer Gilliam Phillips. At a time in American society when people of color were restricted from most medical training programs, the Homer G. Phillips Hospital became the premier training ground for African American medical professionals – many of whom remained to deliver high quality health care in the St. Louis area and who later assumed prestigious positions throughout the nation. The successes of its subsequent years of operation (as well as the complex issues surrounding its closure) became legendary in the annals of public hospitals. It closed its doors on August 17, 1979, followed by St. Louis City No. 1 in 1985, St. Louis County Hospital in 1987, and St. Louis Regional Hospital in 1997. While we cannot now walk the halls of Homer G. Phillips Hospital, we can learn much from its history, presented by the very people who strived diligently to provide culturally sensitive care to the patients who so deeply trusted and loved them and their hospital. This lecture series is named in honor of the historic Homer G. Phillips Hospital in St. Louis.

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Honoring
Young Scientist Program
and
St. Louis Public Schools

***“Enriching the Legacy:
Sustaining the Promise”***



Guest Speaker:
Joan Y. Reede, MD, MPH, MS
*Dean for Diversity and Community Partnership,
Harvard Medical School*

Friday, October 10, 2008
Washington University School of Medicine
Eric P. Newman Education Center (EPNEC)
320 South Euclid Avenue
Saint Louis, Missouri 63110

5:30 p.m.
Cocktails
Atrium/Lobby

6:30 p.m.
Dinner
Great Rooms

7:30 p.m.
Lecture
Auditorium

Program

Welcome..... Will Ross, M.D., M.P.H.
Associate Dean for Diversity
Office of Diversity Programs

Introduction of..... Larry J. Shapiro, M.D.
Joan Reede, M.D., M.P.H., M.S. Executive Vice Chancellor and
Dean for Medical Affairs

“Enriching the Legacy: Joan Y. Reede, M.D., M.P.H., M.S.
Sustaining the Promise” Associate Dean and Professor of Public
Health Practice
Harvard School of Public Health

Presentations Will Ross, M.D., M.P.H.
Associate Dean for Diversity
Office of Diversity Programs

Remarks..... Matthew Ndowni, Ph.D.
Young Scientist Program
Shirley B. Brown
St. Louis Public Schools

Honoree: Young Scientist Programs and St. Louis Public Schools

Partnerships between higher education institutions and public school systems are increasing. These collaborations offer significant benefits to public school students and teachers. Less attention has been directed at understanding how these partnerships are built and the effect that participation has on volunteers. The Young Scientist Program (YSP) is a unique science education outreach program that was conceived by and continues to be led by the graduate and medical students at Washington University. YSP is a proven model for student-run partnerships between academic institutions and public school systems.

Founded in 1991, YSP works in partnership with the St. Louis area public schools teaching, recruiting, and mentoring students and teachers primarily from disadvantaged backgrounds in order to strengthen science literacy and promote interest in scientific careers. Each year the program reaches hundreds of high school students and teachers in the St. Louis City Public Schools. The Young Scientist Programs also targets St. Louis City Public High School teachers with resources that facilitate inquiry-based learning in the classroom. YSP is currently divided into three components, which work in concert to foster high school students' and teachers' interest in science. A unique feature of YSP is that it is entirely run by student volunteers from the School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences. As students and scientists, it is our hope that by sharing our enthusiasm for what we do, we can encourage younger individuals to pursue careers in science.

YSP is currently supported by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Pfizer Inc, The Washington University Medical School Alumni Association, The Washington University Medical School Office of Diversity Programs, The Washington University Medical Scientist Training Program, and the American Association of Anatomists.



Speaker: Joan Y. Reede, MD, MPH, MS

Appointed as the first Dean for Diversity and Community Partnership in January 2002, Joan Y. Reede is responsible for the development and management of a comprehensive program that provides leadership, guidance, and support to promote the increased recruitment, retention and advancement of under-represented minority faculty at Harvard Medical School (HMS). This charge includes oversight of all diversity activities at HMS as they relate to faculty, trainees, students, and staff.

Dr. Reede is director of the Minority Faculty Development Program and faculty director of Community Outreach Programs at Harvard Medical School. In addition, she

holds the appointments of associate professor of medicine at HMS, associate professor of society, human development and health at the Harvard School of Public Health, and assistant in health policy at Massachusetts General Hospital.

The impact of Dr. Reede's work is reflected in the numerous programs she has created to benefit minority students, residents, scientists, and physicians. Over the past fifteen years, Dr. Reede has created and developed more than 16 programs at HMS that aim to address pipeline and leadership issues for minorities and women who are interested in careers in medicine, academic and scientific research, and the healthcare professions. Supported by a dedicated staff, she has developed mentoring programs for under-represented minority students from the middle school through the graduate and medical school levels. Dr. Reede has also designed a training program for middle and high school teachers, developed science curricula for public schools, implemented research and exchange clerkship programs at HMS, and designed and implemented two innovative fellowships in minority health policy for physicians, dentists and doctoral-level mental health professionals.

In addition, Dr. Reede founded the Biomedical Careers Program (BSCP) in collaboration with the Massachusetts Medical Society and the New England Board of Higher Education. BSCP is a collaborative, community-based organization involving academia, private industry, medical centers, public education, and professional societies. This organization is designed to identify, support and provide mentoring for under-represented minority students, trainees, and professionals pursuing biomedical careers.

In recognition of her far-reaching accomplishments, Dr. Reede has received numerous awards. In 2005, Dr. Reede received the Herbert W. Nickens Award from the Society of General Internal Medicine and the Herbert W. Nickens Award from the Association of American Medical Colleges. In 2006, she was recognized by Modern Healthcare magazine as one of "the top 25 minority executives in healthcare" and by Ebony magazine in their annual women's health section as one of six "medical movers and shakers".

On the national level, Dr. Reede was appointed to the Health and Human Services Advisory Committee on Minority Health by Donna E. Shalala and was a Commissioner of The Sullivan Commission on Diversity in the Healthcare Workforce. Dr. Reede currently serves on the Secretary's Advisory Committee to the Director of the National Institutes of Health and on the Sullivan Alliance to Transform America's Health Professions.

A graduate of Brown University and Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Dr. Reede completed her pediatric residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland and a child psychiatry fellowship at Children's Hospital in Boston. She also holds an MPH and an MS in health policy and management from the Harvard School of Public Health, and an MBA from the Boston University School of Management.