



Black Men In White Coats Dallas 2020

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Greetings!

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 2020 DFW Black Men In White Coats Youth Summit. Our team has worked hard, and put our hearts into making this a memorable and transformative experience for all participants.

Since we last met in 2019, several amazing things have happened. Our mission was propelled to tremendous heights following a TV segment on NBC's The TODAY Show. We were also featured by Forbes and Jay Z's Roc Nation among others. This attention resulted in opportunities for us to partner with organizations in cities across the country to bring Black Men In White Coats to their communities.



I want you to know that the work we do is for you. We envision a nation with a healthcare system that truly cares for everyone. In order for that to be the case, we believe the medical workforce should better reflect the patient population for which it serves. That being the case, our efforts are not limited solely to increasing the number of black men in medicine. We value women as well as individuals who do not self-identify as black. All are welcome.

I'd like to conclude this letter with a special thank you to this year's host institution. The Barack Obama Male Leadership Academy has been extremely gracious with their space and time in preparation for this event. Without such strong supporters in our community, this event would not be possible.

With love and respect,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Okorodudu". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dale Okorodudu, MD (aka Dr. Dale)
Founder of DiverseMedicine Inc.
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8:15- 9:00 a.m.	Check-in		
9:00 – 9:10 a.m.	DiverseMedicine Inc. Welcome – Dr. Cedric Bright Barack Obama Male Leadership Academy Welcome – Principal David Welch UT Southwestern Medical Center Welcome – Dr. Marc Nivet UNT Health Sciences Center SNMA Welcome – Medical Student Daeija Lewis		
9:20 – 9:35 a.m.	Barack Obama Male Leadership Academy Skit – BOLMA Theatre Students		
9:35 – 9:55 a.m.	Founder’s Address: Permission To Be Great Dr. Dale Okorodudu		
9:55 – 10:00 a.m.	A Day in the Life of an Endocrinologist Dr. Daniel Okorodudu		
10:00 – 10:05 a.m.	Release Elementary/Middle School Students to Breakout Session		
10:05 – 10:20 a.m.	Cardiology Presentation		
10:20 – 10:25 a.m.	Release High School/Bacc/Post-Bacc Students to Breakout Sessions		
	EDUCATORS, COMMUNITY LEADERS & OTHER PARENTS	HIGH SCHOOL THROUGH POST-BACC STUDENTS	ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS
Session 1 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.	Mental Health & Resilience in Black Youth Panelists: Dr. Otis Anderson; Dr. Jessica Moore Moderator: Mrs. Mia Mbroh	Breakout Sessions	Breakout Sessions
Session 2 11:15 – 12:00 p.m.	How To Raise a Doctor Panelists: Ms. Carla Lewis, Dr. Carlos Girod, Dr. Ben Clark, Mr. Clifford Lewis Moderator: Dr. Steven Clark		
12:00 – 12:40 p.m.	Mentoring Lunch		
12:40 – 12:45 p.m.	A Day in the Life of a Dermatologist Dr. Dornechia Carter		
12:45 – 1:15 p.m.	Keynote Address: Overcoming The Odds Dr. Antonio Webb		
1:15 – 1:55 p.m.	Black Women in White Coats Panel Panelists: Dr. Nicole Minniefield, Dr. Anita Krueger, Dr. Margaret Umah Moderator: Umaru Barrie		
1:55 – 2:35 p.m.	Black Men In White Coats Panel Panelists: Dr. Victor Simms, Mr. Devon Williams, Dr. Wendell Jones, Dr. Harry Ashitey Moderator: Dr. Margaret Umah		
2:35 – 2:40 p.m.	Closing Remarks		
2:40 – 3:00 p.m.	Pictures & Book Signings		

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Dr. Antonio Webb's information

Dr. Antonio J. Webb is an Author, Motivational Speaker, and Orthopedic Spine Surgeon who grew up in the rough streets of Shreveport, Louisiana surrounded by drugs, gangs, and violence. During this time, friends and family were even killed or jailed including a younger brother who was sentenced to a juvenile life sentence for armed robbery and a mom's addiction to drugs that landed her in and out of jail his whole life and eventually paralyzed from the waist down after being shot.



It was not until he attended a Medical Careers Magnet Program in Shreveport that he envisioned his life outside of the streets of Louisiana as a doctor. To make this dream a reality, he joined the United States Air Force at age 17 and spent a total of 8 years in the military including a tour to Iraq in 2005 as a medic. His unit treated just over 800 patients while in country and survived over 100 enemy mortar attacks during their deployment, while also earning several medals of distinction in the process.

Following his military stint, Dr. Webb was rejected not only once, but twice from medical school but he never gave up. He was accepted to the Georgetown Experimental Medical (GEMS) program in 2009 on his third time applying and matriculated soon after into Georgetown University School of Medicine, graduating in 2014. During his last year of medical school, he completed a month long international surgery rotation in Liberia, West Africa—returning to the US just weeks before the Ebola outbreak devastated the country. Dr. Webb would then go on to complete his Orthopedic Surgery Residency training at UT Health San Antonio.

In addition to his surgical training at UT San Antonio, Dr. Webb was fortunate to learn and spend time operating under the guidance of Dr. Kaye Wilkins in Port Au Prince, Haiti on two separate occasions and in 2018 he was awarded an AO trauma fellowship that allowed him to spend a month doing trauma and spine surgery in Bangkok, Thailand.

One of his most rewarding activities, however, is serving as a mentor for underprivileged middle and high school students interested in a career in medicine. He volunteers to help because he says it is important for students to know “If I can do it, they can, too.” Webb says his proudest moment would be when he encounters a student in later years who says, “I am in medical school because of you.”

Currently, Dr. Webb is completing his final year of training at Texas Back Institute in Plano, Texas specializing in Orthopedic Spine Surgery. He is set to finish in July 2019 with plans to go into private practice.

For more information about Dr. Webb, please visit www.youtube.com/antoniowebbmd or www.antoniowebbmd.com.



Presenters & Moderators



Merridith Simpson SHRM-CP, CDP
Master of Ceremony

Mrs. Merridith Simpson is the Director of Human Resources for Methodist Charlton Medical Center, part of the nonprofit Methodist Health System. In her role Merridith oversees all aspects of Human Resources including policies and programs covering employment, compensation, benefits, performance management, employee relations, leadership development, recruitment and retention, and compliance with applicable laws. Previously she served as the Diversity and Inclusion Manager at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas where she helped lead the strategic development and implementation of the Institution's diversity and inclusion strategy. Prior to joining UT Southwestern, Merridith held HR and Diversity leadership roles at Raytheon, an aerospace and defense contractor, in their Intelligence and Information Systems (IIS) business segment.



Mia Mbroh
Moderator: Mental Health & Resilience in Black Youth

Mia Mbroh is a licensed professional counselor and nationally certified counselor with over 25 years of experience in the fields of education, counseling, parent education and community reconciliation. Mia provides consultation services and facilitates dialogue amongst various organizations on both local and national levels. Mia's most recent concentration has been in providing education and safe forums of discussion for school communities and faith-based organizations of North Dallas as they engage the dialogue concerning diversity and reconciliation. She is a certified trainer for the Anti-Defamation League and presents throughout the nation on the topic of securing justice and fair treatment for all humans. Mia's appreciation for learning and teaching has allowed her a rich and meaningful career in a myriad of areas dealing with social and emotional health.



Alana Lewis, M.D.
Workshop Director

Dr. Alana Lewis, MD is a Cardiology Fellow at UT Southwestern Medical Center. After graduating as high school valedictorian, she attended Andrews University in Berrien Springs, MI where she then graduated Summa cum laude with a BS degree in biology with a minor in chemistry. Dr. Lewis obtained her medical doctorate from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in Nashville, TN, after which she completed her internship/residency in Internal Medicine at Duke University Hospital in Durham, NC. She moved to Dallas in 2016 to begin her Cardiology fellowship at UTSW, and is in her final year of training. Dr. Lewis will be joining the Division of Cardiology at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, IL as an Assistant Professor later this year.





Jessica Moore, M.D.

Panelist: Mental Health & Resilience in Black Youth

Dr. Jessica Moore is an Assistant Professor in UT Southwestern's Psychiatry Department. She completed her medical training at the UT Health Science Center in Houston. She went onto complete her psychiatry residency and child and adolescent fellowship at UT Southwestern.

She served as chief resident during both residency and fellowship. During her residency she was the co-founder of the UTSW Psychiatry Race, Diversity and Inclusion task force. Dr. Moore has been awarded the Healthcare Diversity Excellence Award by the Greater Dallas Healthcare Diversity Summit. Previously she was awarded the American Psychiatric Association's competitive Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) Minority Fellowship. As a SAMSHA fellow, Dr. Moore served on the Council for Minority Mental Health and Health Disparities and worked on a project at Paul Quinn College in Dallas to engage students in mental health and wellness services. She now serves as the medical director of the Paul Quinn College mental health and wellness clinic. She has also worked to develop a transitional age youth psychiatric clinic at UTSW



Otis Anderson, M.D.

Panelist: Mental Health & Resilience in Black Youth

Dr. Otis Anderson, III is a community psychiatrist practicing in the state of Mississippi and is coming home to Tennessee. He is formerly the lead psychiatric administrator for Mississippi Behavioral Health Services, which serves a rural Medicaid population in 8 of 11 towns in MS. He is one of ten black psychiatrists that published "Mind Matters : A Resource Guide to Psychiatry for Black Communities" last spring and the same group is working on children's books that cover mental health topics later this year. He has been an alumni board member for Memphis Challenge for over 10 years.



Steven Clark, M.D.

Moderator: How to Raise a Doctor

Steven Clark is a native of Dallas and attended the Greenhill School. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA and graduated with honors with a degree in Biology. He returned to Dallas to attend medical school at the University of Texas Southwestern. Upon graduation from medical school, Dr. Clark started his formal surgical training at Methodist Dallas Medical Center. At Methodist Hospital he completed a five year General Surgery Residency where he held the position of Chief Resident his senior year. Following completion of his general surgery training, Dr. Clark continued his surgical education when he returned to his alma mater, UT Southwestern to complete a fellowship in Hand Surgery from July 2011 to June 2012. With both General Surgery and Hand Surgery under his belt, Dr. Clark then elected to engage in one more surgical training program in Plastic Surgery. From July of 2012 to June of 2015, Dr. Clark completed a fellowship in Plastic Surgery at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA.





Carlod Girod, MD

Panelist: How to Raise a Doctor

Carlos Girod, M.D., was named Associate Vice President, Parkland Health & Hospital System Affairs in March 2016. He is the primary liaison between Parkland and UT Southwestern Medical Center. He previously served as Vice Chair of Clinical Affairs for Parkland Health & Hospital System. A pulmonologist and highly regarded clinician, Dr. Girod graduated from the University of Pennsylvania before earning his medical degree from the University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine in San Juan. He completed his internship and residency at UT Southwestern, followed by a clinical fellowship at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, and a research fellowship at the Denver Veterans Administration Medical Center. He joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 1997.



Ben Clark Jr., DPM

Panelist: How to Raise a Doctor

Practicing podiatric medicine and foot surgery in Southern Dallas for over forty-eight years, Ben Clark Jr., DPM has served as a trailblazer, role model, and mentor for podiatrists across the nation and African American professionals in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Seeing a need to enhance the recruitment of black doctors, improve the retention of black podiatric medical students, and increase the numbers of black faculty members in podiatric medicine, Dr. Ben Clark Jr. helped establish the National Podiatric Medical Association (NPMA) as a Charter Member and later served as its President. Dr. Clark is the first African American President of the Texas Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners, the Texas Podiatric Medical Association (TPMA), and Dallas County Podiatric Medical Society (DCPMS)



Carla Lewis

Panelist: How to Raise a Doctor

Carla Lewis is from Bay City, Texas. She's always been interested in sciences and technology and works at Olin Corporation as an analytical lab operator. She is the mother of Daeija and Mason Lewis. She looks up to Michelle Obama and Arlan Hamilton and grew up with the mindset of utilizing affirmations and encouraging others. She is proud to be able to guide others in a capacity to help them succeed. Her hopes for the new generation are for them to realize that it is important to believe in themselves, drown out the "outside noise", and to be consistent. She aspires to get her tech start up, Pembroke Technologies, off the ground and running by the fall of 2020.





Clifford Lewis

Clifford Lewis is a loving husband to Deone Lewis and the proud father of Clifford Lewis Rodgers. He was born and raised in Dallas Texas. As a faithful believer in Jesus Christ, he attends Full Table Church and is a well know member of the congregation. At the age of 18 he became a single father and is deeply family oriented. In the year of 2004, he received his commercial driver's license and soon after started his own owner-operated trucking business with one truck. After years of hard work he has created a successful business.



Umaru Barrie Workshop Director

Umaru Barrie is a 3rd year MD/PhD candidate at UT Southwestern Medical Center with a research concentration in molecular microbiology and global health and medical interests in Emergency Medicine and Surgery. He was elected copresident of his medical class, completed Albert Schweitzer Fellowship, and awarded the 2018 UT Southwestern Martin Luther King Jr. Award for Community Service and Texas Medical Association Medical Student Community Leadership Grant.



Daeija Lewis Panel: Black Women in White Coats Workshop Director

Daeija Lewis is currently an OMS-II at the University of North Texas Health Science Center and Vice President of the SNMA chapter. She obtained a biology degree at Texas State University and is a proud mentor and positive role model for young girls who also wish to enter the healthcare field. Her advice to youth is to "Reflect on who you were yesterday and make that person proud of who you are today."



John Burchfield, M.D. Workshop Director

John Burchfield is a second year at the University of North Texas Health Science Center: Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth, Texas. John is interested in pursuing the field of Interventional Cardiology. He attended Texas A&M University and graduated in 2015 in Nutritional Sciences. John is President of Cardiology Club and External Relations Officer of the Student National Medical Association. These positions allow him to pursue his interests and offer the ability to work with the community. This is John's second year to help coordinate Black Men White Coat and is thrilled to be able to work with the young students.





Daniel Okorodudu, M.D.

A Day in The Life

Daniel Okorodudu, MD MHS (AKA Dr. Daniel) is a board-certified Endocrinologist. He practices in the Seguin, TX and is an adjunct faculty at Duke University. Dr. Daniel grew up in League City, TX and went to Texas A&M University, where he graduated cum laude with a biology degree and chemistry minor. He then attended medical school at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston, TX graduating with his Medical Degree in 2008. He continued on with his internal medicine degree at UTMB and subsequently went to Duke University for his fellowship in Endocrinology and Masters in Health Science. Dr. Daniel is active with Black Men in White Coats and a mentor on www.DiverseMedicine.com where he has supported many premedical and medical students on their journey to becoming physicians. He has won multiple awards including the prestigious National Medical Association Top Healthcare Professionals Under 40 Award and the Distinguished Alumni Award for his high school district. Dr. Daniel is also a talented, prize winning visual artist. He enjoys playing basketball, reading, being involved in Church and spending quality time with his wife, Stephanie and their son Declan.



Nicole Minniefield-Young, MD

Panel: Black Women In White Coats Workshop Director

Dr. Nicole Minniefield-Young is an Assistant Professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and Director of the Congestive Heart Failure Clinic at the VA North Texas Health Care System in Dallas, TX. She currently serves as a clinician educator and works as a non-invasive cardiologist while teaching medical students, training Internal Medicine Residents as well as Cardiovascular Fellows. She completed her undergraduate degree in Biological Sciences at the California State University Sacramento, Doctorate of Medicine at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA, Internal Medicine Residency Training at the University of Pennsylvania, and Cardiovascular Fellowship at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Texas.



Harry Ashitey, DDS

Panelist: Black Men In White Coats Panel

Dr. Harry Ashitey earned both his Bachelor of Science and his Bachelor of Dental Surgery at the University of Ghana in Accra, Ghana. He then completed his Doctor of Dental Surgery at New York University College of Dentistry. He has been practicing in the Dallas/ Fort Worth area for the past seven years. He is passionate about aesthetic dentistry. He is constantly improving his skills in digital and laser technology. Dr. Ashitey currently owns three dental offices in the DFW metroplex. When he is not transforming smiles, Dr. Ashitey enjoys salsa dancing and loves to spend time with his wife and three children.





Kimberli Clarke-Lambert, MD
Workshop Director

Dr. Kimberli Taylor Clarke Lambert is an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the VA North Texas Health Care System and the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, TX. She currently practices non-invasive cardiology with a special interests in health disparities focusing on eliminating cardiovascular disease in minorities and women. Dr. Taylor Clarke Lambert completed her undergraduate degree at Spelman College in Atlanta, GA. She received her Doctorate of Medicine at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN. She completed her residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Maryland in Baltimore, MD, followed by a fellowship in cardiology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN. She is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. as well as the North Texas Chapter of Jack and Jill of America. When not at work, she enjoys spending time with her family, participating in marathons and travelling.



Margaret Umah, M.D.
Panel: Black Women In White Coats
Moderator: Black Men In White Coats

Margaret Umah, MD - Vice President: Dr. Margaret Umah is a Family Medicine physician practicing in Richmond, Texas. She went to the University of Missouri for both undergraduate and medical school, where she was a Division 1 college athlete. She then completed her Family Medicine residency in Sugar Land, Texas, where she resides with her husband and three children. Asides from being an excellent clinician and seasoned mentor, she has experience in tutoring elementary students, serving as a teacher's assistant, and tutoring college students.



Anita Krueger, M.D.
Panelist: Black Women In White Coats

Anita Krueger, MD is a physician who is double board-certified in cardiothoracic surgery and general surgery, practicing in Fort Worth. She was born and raised in the DFW metroplex. She attended UCLA for her undergraduate degree in physiological science, followed by Ross University School of Medicine. She returned to Dallas for her general surgery training at Methodist Hospital of Dallas, followed by UT Southwestern Medical Center for residency in cardiothoracic surgery. Finally, she completed a fellowship in structural heart disease at Baylor Scott & White-The Heart Hospital in Plano. She is married with three children.





Wendell Jones, M.D.
Black Men In White Coats Panel

Dr. Wendell Jones is the Chief Medical Officer and Deputy Network Director for Clinical Services at the Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) No. 17 in Arlington. He directs all clinical activities at seven VA healthcare facilities in Texas. Dr. Jones received his Bachelor of Science in 1980 from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, and received his medical degree from Morehouse School of Medicine in 1985. He completed his Internal Medicine Residency at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida in 1988. He worked as a staff physician at the Miami VA Medical Center and as an Emergency Care physician at two hospitals in Miami. Dr Jones was awarded an Executive Masters in Business Administration by the University of Miami in August 1991.



Victor Simms, M.D.
Panelist: Black Men In White Coats

Dr. Simms joined Kelsey-Seybold in 2001 and is now the Chief of the Internal Medicine department and serves as Managing Physician of Kelsey-Seybold Clinic in Pasadena, Texas. He has also previously served for 9 years on the Kelsey-Seybold Clinic Board of Managers. Victor was the first of 13 children to attend college, and graduate. He was recruited to the College of Science at Texas A&M and received an academic scholarship that covered all expenses. He graduated "Suma Cum Lade" from A&M's College of Science. He applied to, and was accepted by, all medical schools in Texas, choosing to attend Baylor College of Medicine where he was the only African American out of 177 medical students in his first-year class. Dr. Simms graduated with a medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine in 1996 and completed an Internal Medicine residency at the same institution in 1997, winning a teaching award for being an outstanding teaching resident. He continued his education at the school with a fellowship in Primary Care Research. In addition, he earned a Master of Public Health degree from The University of Texas School of Public Health in 2001.



Devon Williams, PA-C
Panelist: Black Men In White Coats

Devon Williams, PA-C completed his Masters in Physician Assistant Studies from Samuel Merritt College in Oakland, California in 2001. Upon completing the program, he relocated to the DFW area. Over the past 10 years he has transitioned all of his focus into the fields of Emergency Medicine and Correctional Medicine. He feels working in Correctional Medicine satisfied his desire to utilize medicine as a ministry to extend both medical education and lifelong lessons to his patients and in return learn new techniques to understand hurdles that population of patients maneuver through on a daily basis. In his free time, he enjoys listening to jazz music, traveling, working out, spending time with his daughter, and thanking God for the city of New Orleans and the New Orleans Saints!!!!







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