Dedication

We dedicate this issue of the International Journal of Head and Neck Surgery to Dr Frank E Lucente for his immense contributions to the field of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery and medical education. Each article is authored by at least one of Dr. Lucente's current or former trainees. The guest editors, Dr Nira A Goldstein and Dr Krishnamurthi Sundaram, are long-time colleagues of Dr Lucente in the Department of Otolaryngology at the State University of New York Downstate Medical Center.

Biography

Professor and Former Chairman of the Departments of Otolaryngology at the State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate Medical Center and the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary–Frank E Lucente

He is a graduate of the Yale University School of Medicine and the Otolaryngology Residency Program at Washington University. He started his career as the Chief of Otolaryngology at the US Public Health Service in Staten Island, NY, and then was a member of the Department of Otolaryngology at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in Frank E Lucente MD



New York, NY, rising in rank from Assistant Professor to Professor. He served as Chairman of the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary from 1984 to 1990 and Chairman of SUNY Downstate/Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, NY, from 1990 to 2009. He has also served as President of the Triological Society and the Society of University Otolaryngologists—Head and Neck Surgeons. He has been Vice President and Coordinator for Instruction Courses for the American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery Foundation. He has been Guest of Honor for the American Broncho-Esophagological Association, American Laryngological Association and the American Society of Geriatric Otolaryngology. He has been on the Executive Board of the Laryngoscope. He is the author, co-author or editor of 19 books and over 200 scientific publications and chapters. Dr Lucente served on the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education Residency Review Committee for Otolaryngology and has been Chair of the American Medical Association's Continuing Medical Education Advisory Committee. He served as Vice Dean for Faculty and Educational Affairs at the SUNY Downstate University Hospital of Brooklyn and the Long Island College Hospital and is currently the Director of the Medical Student Career Advisement Office at SUNY. He has also received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Distinction in Teaching and in 2001 was honored with the Teacher of the Decade Award from the Department of Otolaryngology. In 2008, he received the Graymoor Award from the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement for his service to that organization. Dr Lucente has trained over 70 residents and countless medical students, and has served as a valuable mentor for his junior faculty.

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