

Barbados Cancer Association USA (BACA), Inc.
In collaboration with
Barbados Nurses' Association of America, Inc.
Caribbean American Medical & Scientific Association, Inc.

Presents

The Dr. Deborah Brathwaite Annual Cancer Symposium

“Cancer Diagnosis and Treatments: Past, Present and Future

September 18, 2021
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

PANELISTS



**Harold Harvey, MB BS Medical
Oncology**
Emeritus Professor of Medicine
Pennsylvania State University, PA

**Session Topic: Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment: Past, Present, Future – US
Perspective**

- Distinguished Physician Awards for Excellence in House Staff Teaching
- Dean's Award for Teaching
- Extraordinary Patient Satisfaction
- Dr. Harvey attended Harrison College in Barbados
- Graduated Faculty of Medicine at UWI class of 1969
- Internship at QEH in Barbados; Internal Medicine Residency at Lemuel Shattuck and Faulkner Hospitals in Boston
- Fellowship in Medical Oncology at Tufts University Medical Center Hospitals, Boston
- In 1974, I joined the faculty of the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, Pennsylvania State University as Assistant Professor of Medicine and have remained at this institution.
- Professor of Medicine; Director of Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Program 1984-2016
- Retired 2020 as Emeritus Professor of Medicine.

**Chris Nicholls, BSc, MBBS, MSc
(Onc), MRCP (UK) (Lond),
Assoc. RCPATH (UK)**
Consultant Haematologist
Oncologist

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Barbados Perspective**

- Dr. Chris Nicholls is a haematology/oncology consultant at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Barbados.
- He received his Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry/Physiology Upper Second 1989 at the University of Leeds
- He received her Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) at the University of the West Indies 1994
- Completed his MSc. Oncology at University of Nottingham in 1989
- MRCP(UK)(Lond) 2003
- Diplomate Royal College of Pathologists 2010 Specialist Certificate Transfusion 2018 British Blood Transfusion Society



Simone Mays, MD
Breast Surgical Oncologist

Session Topic: Pain Management

- Dr. Simone Mays is a board-certified general surgeon specializing in the treatment of benign and malignant breast disease.
- Dr. Mays earned her medical degree at The Drexel University College of Medicine. She completed her General Surgery Residency at Brookdale Hospital and Medical Center and completed a Breast Surgical Oncology Fellowship at the Main Line Health Bryn Mawr Hospital.
- During her residency training, Dr. Mays dedicated a year to research at the Weill Cornell Medical College-Breast Center leading to several publications aimed towards improving the treatment of breast cancer in elderly patients, improving outcomes in patients with complex comorbidities, and the benefits and better outcomes associated with nipple-sparing mastectomy.
- Dr. Mays has a special interest in improving breast cancer outcomes within underserved marginalized communities.

MODERATOR



Diana Callender, MBBS, DM
Clinical Hematologist/Oncologist

Born in Barbados, Dr. Diana Callender MBBS, DM Clinical Hematology, graduated from Queens College in 1971 winning a Barbados Exhibition scholarship to the University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica where she studied medicine. Upon completing her post graduate studies in Clinical Hematology, Dr. Callender was awarded a Fogarty International Fellowship to the National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland. While there she was offered a position as a fellow and completed a clinical oncology fellowship as a visiting scientist. Upon completing the fellowship, Dr. Callender returned to the Caribbean as a Consultant Hematologist/Oncologist at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Barbados and as an Associate Lecturer in Pathology, Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of West Indies (UWI). She subsequently became a consultant and the director of the medical laboratory at Princess Margaret Hospital in Roseau, Dominica. She also joined the faculty of Ross University School of Medicine as a lecturer and continued as a part-time lecturer in Pathology at UWI.

During that period, Dr. Callender held multiple workshops for health care providers in Dominica and was a founding member of the Dominica Cancer Society and a trustee of the Bishop Arnold Boghaert Cancer Fund. Dr. Callender was also a member of some national committees and represented Dominica at several regional workshops. Dr. Callender was a member of the Commonwealth Medical Association (CMA) Delegation to the United Nations Preparatory meeting on the Commission of the Status of Women for the World Summit for Social Development. She was also a CMA delegate to the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), NGO Forum in Cairo and Co-Chair of the Medical Women's International Association Women's Health Workshop at the NGO Forum, and a CMA delegate to the First Regional Congress of the Medical Women's International Association Near East and Africa Region, Nairobi, Kenya.

In 1996, Dr. Callender returned to the National Cancer Institute as a Senior Staff Fellow in the Pediatric Branch where she did laboratory research in immunocompromised hosts. In 2003, she returned to Dominica as a faculty member at Ross University School of Medicine and as an Honorary consultant Hematologist/Oncologist at Princess Margaret Hospital. She subsequently became Professor and Chair of the Department of Integrated Medical Education at Ross University. During this period, she completed training courses in medical simulation at the Center for Medical Simulation in her role as Medical Director of the simulation lab. She also completed a European School of Oncology Advanced Palliative Cancer Care Course in Sweden to enhance her care of terminally ill patients. In addition, Dr. Callender resumed her volunteer work with the Dominical Cancer society, as a trustee of the Arnold Boghaert Cancer society and her community outreach.

In 2013, Dr. Callender returned to the USA as an educator and a faculty member at The Commonwealth Medical College in Scranton Pennsylvania (subsequently Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine). Dr. Callender held several leadership positions including Chair of the Department of Clinical Sciences and Associate Dean for Simulation and Simulation-based Assessment. She was a member of several committees including the Admissions Committee. She has served as a member of the International Association of Medical Science Educators (IAMSE) and a reviewer of their journal and as an Associate Editor and Reviewer for Perspectives in Medical Education as well as a member of the Society for Simulation in Health Care where she has served as a presenter and Professor at Professor Rounds at its annual meeting for several years. Dr. Callender also served as a student advisor and mentor, especially to students Association of Multicultural Students in Medicine, a group consisting predominantly of students of color. The Association honored her on her retirement by naming an annual award, the "Dr. Diana Callender Recognition Award", for faculty who support diverse students.

Dr. Callender retired in 2020. She continues her volunteer work with several organizations including on the Community Leadership Board of the Dancel Y in Howard County, Maryland. She has also continued as a reviewer for International Association of Medical Science Educators (IAMSE) and has recently made presentations on health disparities in Black women in the United States.