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PLACE OF BIRTH: Jacksonville, Florida

SPOUSE: Myra Bairstow (son: Aleander 8 years old) - playwright, author and art curator

CHILDREN: Five daughters and two sons.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy University of Florida – (Five year degree completed in three years – Cum Laude)

University of Florida and University of Miami – completion of premedical curriculum

University of Miami School of Medicine – Medical degree – AOA Honorary

MEDICAL INTERNSHIP:

Rotating Internship – United States Navy (nominated as intern of year)

RESIDENCY TRAINING:

General Surgery – Jacksonville Hospital Educational Program (JHEP) now Shands, Jacksonville (Affiliated with University of Florida Medical School)

Plastic Surgery – JHEP now Shands Jacksonville (Affiliated with University of Florida Medical School) – successful completion with Board eligibility

Ancillary Specialty Training-Reconstructive Surgery; Aesthetic Surgery; Hand Surgery; Maxillofacial Surgery (inc. cleft deformities); Cardiovascular Surgery

Preceptorships, Fellowship and additional preparation for board certification: Shriners Burn Institute, Boston; Drs. Ralph Millard and Thomas Baker, Miami; Dr. Gonzales-Ulloa, Mexico City, Stanford University Board Preparatory Courses.

Dr. John Snow – Hand Surgery Training, two years; Dr. Charles Ammon – Maxillofacial Surgery Training, two years; Dr. Theodore Batchelder – Cardiovascular Surgery at Saint Vincent’s Hospital in conjunction with primary research at Heart Transplantation Dog Laboratory in Jacksonville, one year.

PLASTIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE PRECEPTORSHIPS INCLUDING CLINICAL TOURS

Dr. D. Ralph Millard, University of Miami, Miami, Florida – repeated visits with Dr. Millard consisting of surgical observation, interaction with residents and plastic surgery colleagues and presentations at ground rounds. Also interacted with Dr. Millard’s residents at my surgery center in Jacksonville. Residents rotating through my center included Dr. John Devine, Dr. Bernard Barrett, Dr. John Obi, Dr. Craig Bass and several other Millard trained plastic surgeons.

Dr. Thomas Baker, Coral Gables, Florida – 1971 – 1992. Repeated visits including live surgical observation, attendance and participation as faculty at the Baker-Gordon symposia. Co-author Chemical Peeling and Dermabrasion chapter in Bernard Barret’s “Patient Care in Plastic Surgery” First edition 1982, second edition 1996.

Dr. J. William Littler. New York, N.Y. – 1969 – 1973 – attended conferences and discussions in hand surgery with Dr. John Snow.

Dr. Mario Gonzales-Ulloa. Mexico City: 1971 – clinical tour observing live surgery and attending lectures and ground rounds.

Stanford University – 1973 – Plastic Surgery Board Preparatory Course.

BOARD CERTIFICATIONS:

Board Certification in Pharmacy (Florida)

National Board of Medical Examiners – Step 1 after first two years of medical school (90 percentile nationally); Step 2 - after 4th year medical school; Step 3 after medical internship

Florida State Board of Medicine Certification – no disciplinary actions - current

American Board of Plastic Surgery – after entering practice and current – Voluntarily and successfully re-examined by ABPS after six years of practice.

OTHER CERTIFICATIONS:

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) – every two years from 1978- 2014 (current)

AHCA (Agency for Health Care Administration) Facility Certification with Annual Recertification 1988 – 2014 (current)

Medicare license for Samuel Wells Surgicenter – 1988 - 2014 – (current) CME Requirements by State Board of Medicine (First comprehensive plastic surgery center in state of Florida to become licensed)

CME Requirement for American Board of Plastic Surgery – maintained during entire career - current

Palomar Starlux 300/500 laser – 2005-2011 – Replaced with more advanced Icon platform October 2011 – (current)

Lifesculpt powered by SlimLipo platform November 2008 – (current) Adivive (Lipokit) Fat Processing Unit – January 2011 (current) LICENSOR

Florida Board of Pharmacy for seven years

Florida Board of Medicine active since internship

Agency for Health Care Administration (Samuel Wells Surgicenter) -1988 (current) – Established the first comprehensive and fully licensed Ambulatory Surgery Center for Plastic Surgery in the state of Florida

Medicare (Samuel Wells Surgicenter) – 1988 (current) HONORARY ACADEMIC

AWARDS:

Rho Chi Honorary Pharmacy Fraternity (top 5% of class while completing a 5 year curriculum within 3 years)

Phi Kappa Phi National Honorary Fraternity and B.S.P. cum laude, University of Florida

Alpha Omega Alpha Honorary Medical Fraternity – University of Miami Medical School

Nominated as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Art, London (the oldest and most prestigious art guild in the world) for Dr. Lewis Obi's with British Artist Daniel Samuels FRSA. Five years of intense work with Daniels in England resulted in the publication of "Olympians, Gods and Heroes" Suite of

Original Lithographs and Portfolio of Greek mythology and establishment of the international firm of Obiarts, Inc. 1983.

(Very few physicians in the United States (if any) have ever acquired the above honorary memberships representing the disciplines of basic science, pharmacy, medicine and art).

Internship Awards, United States Navy – (intern of the year nominee)

First Place Award for the Senior Residents Presentation in Plastic Surgery entitled “Permanent Preservation Anatomic Dissection”, published in the American Journal of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

MILITARY SERVICE:

United States Marine Corps – March 1952 through March 1960 (active duty until 1955 while serving in Korea) – Rank of Sergeant at age 18.

United States Navy Medical Corps – July 1965 – June 1968

Military Decorations – United States Marine Corps: National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Ribbon, United Nations Service Ribbon, Marine Corps Reserve Ribbon. Veteran of two wars: Korean and Viet Nam.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN MEDICAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Florida State Board of Medicine Licensee (current and a life member)

Certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery (current and a life member)

Member American Society of Plastic Surgeons (current and a life member)

Member American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (1980-current) American Medical Association (1967-current – life member)

Florida Medical Association (1971-current-life member)

Duval County Medical Society (1971-current-life member)

Florida Plastic Surgery Society (current)

Southeastern Society of Plastic Surgeons (past membership)

Greater Jacksonville Society of Plastic Surgeons (1971-current, past president and senior active member)

AOA National Honorary Medical Fraternity (1964-current) Florida Society of Ambulatory Surgery Centers (1988-current) HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS (PAST AND PRESENT):

Memorial Medical Center – Jacksonville, Florida (current) Baptist Memorial Center – Jacksonville, Florida

Saint Luke’s Hospital – Jacksonville, Florida

Saint Vincent’s Hospital – Jacksonville, Florida

University Hospital of Jacksonville (Now Shands Jacksonville) MEMBERSHIP IN

NON-MEDICAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Fellow of the Royal Society of Art (London) - awarded in 1986 for contributions and accomplishments in the Arts (current).

Republican Eagles

Phi Kappa Phi Honorary Fraternity (University of Florida) (lifetime)

Rho Chi Honorary Pharmaceutical Fraternity (lifetime)

Patron Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York (current)

President of Obiarts, Inc. (an international art corporation)

Black Belt, Korean Tang Soo Do Association – 1980

Black Belt American Style – 2007 – current

New York City Runners Club (completed three New York Marathons)

Jacksonville Artists Guild (2011)

Benefactor and Donor to numerous museums, universities, churches, etc; which has resulted in honorary memberships to non-medical organizations.

These include but not limited to: Metropolitan Museum of Art NYC, American Wing of the Smithsonian, Milwaukee Art Museum, Penn State University Palmer Museum of Art, Yale Museum, Illinois State Museum, Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) Jacksonville, Jacksonville University Alexander Brest Museum, Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD), the Swope Museum

Patron to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

PLASTIC SURGERY CONTRIBUTIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

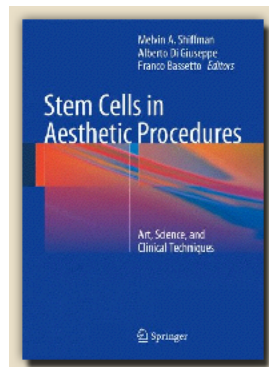
AREA OF OUT PATIENT SURGERY

Dr Lewis Obi Established one of the first comprehensive Ambulatory Surgery Center for Plastic Surgery in the United States in 1976. This center was enlarged and enhanced over a period of thirty five years and now is the premier center of excellence in plastic surgery. For a decade it was the only licensed Ambulatory Surgery Center for Plastic Surgery in Jacksonville and one of only three in the state of Florida. Lewis Obi has assisted numerous plastic surgeons with their facilities and also with efforts towards state licensure of these facilities. Located at 3599 University Boulevard South, Dr. Obi's 12,000 square foot facility includes three separate entities: Samuel Wells Surgicenter, Inc., Lewis J. Obi, M.D., P.A. and Renaissance, Center for Cosmetic Renewal.

ADULT STEM CELL RESEARCH

Dr. Lewis Obi became the first board certified plastic surgeon to affiliate with the California Stem Cell Treatment Center, now Cell Surgical Network (CSN) of Los Angeles. He became an active participant with the CSN IRB (Investigational

Review Board) protocol in July of 2013. He added Dr. David Heekin, Dr. Orlando Florete and Dr. Alexander Fokin to his CSN of Florida team. Together they are treating a wide host of degenerative and arthritic conditions with adult stem cells. Dr. Obi wrote a chapter on the aesthetic uses of stem cells in the face in the first major medical book which will be released in September of 2014: Stem Cells in Aesthetic Procedures...Art, Science and Clinical Techniques by Melvin A. Shiffman, Alberto DiGuseppe, Franco Bassetto (Springer publications).



Dr. Lewis Obi wrote chapter 29 entitled “Specialized Stem Cell transfer to the face” and presents more than a dozen of his patients. As of publication date, he has treated more than 200 patients with their own stem cells.

TRAINING OF RESIDENTS AND COLLEAGUES

During his entire life time Dr. Lewis Obi has developed his skills as a dedicated worker, student and teacher. His four hour sleep schedule since childhood has allowed Dr. Obi to maintain an active practice while continuing to learn and teach. During the first 25 years of his plastic surgery practice, Dr. Obi has actively been involved in teaching numerous residents, medical students, nurses and surgical scrub techs. More recently he has been on the cutting edge of body sculpturing lasers (SlimLipo) and stem cell concentrated fat grafting (Adivive). During the past six years he has taught and lectured on numerous occasions to a national audience of plastic surgeons. His most notable accomplishment has been in the area of state licensure for free standing plastic surgery centers. Visitors to the Obi Plastic Surgery Clinic includes plastic surgeons worldwide. In January 2014 he lectured on stem cells at the international meeting of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery in Miami and in August at the national meeting of CSN Los Angeles.

SURGICAL INNOVATIONS

Plastic Surgeons are all innovators in various techniques. However, one of Dr. Obi's favorite borrowed quotes is "If you think you have invented a new surgical technique then you are not well read in the archives of plastic surgery". Along with other colleagues, Dr. Lewis Obi shares the podium in the evolution of free standing plastic surgery facilities that have acquired both state (AHCA) and national licensure (Medicare) in the United States (first in the state of Florida). During residency and the early years of practice many innovative techniques in the area of reconstructive and hand surgery were introduced as outlined in the publications listed below. Early in his practice Dr. Lewis Obi was one of the dominant surgeons in Jacksonville in the area of reconstructive surgery. The numerous patients he treated were in the areas of traumatic deformities including burns and spinal cord injuries; maxillofacial and skull injuries; congenital deformities including cleft lip and palate; all types of cancers including breast cancer, skin cancers, melanomas, etc. Skills and knowledge of every aspect of plastic surgery stimulated development of new techniques and innovations. This was facilitated by a new technique of anatomic preservations co- authored by Dr. Lewis Obi with Dr. John Snow entitled "Permanent Presentation of Anatomic Dissections" published in the American Journal of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. This expertise and knowledge allowed Dr. Lewis Obi to teach his residents and students techniques of plastic surgery on fresh cadavers during the first ten years of his practice.

Early in his career, Dr. Obi was one of the first American surgeons to integrate the use of saline filled breast implants into his practice. Many techniques of breast as well as nipple and areolar reconstructive procedures were adopted and refined early on. Dr. Obi was one of the earliest plastic surgeons to perform nipple sparing mastectomies on high risk breast cancer patients completing treatment in more than 100 patients. More than 30 years ago Dr. Obi evolved his technique of cosmetic breast augmentation with the use of an areolar incision and total placement of the breast prosthesis behind the chest wall muscles. He was also the first Jacksonville plastic surgeon to introduce the use of Natrelle's style 410 "gummy bear" implants in early 2013.

In the area of cleft lip and palate surgery, Dr. Obi shared his experience and refinements with his mentor Dr. Ralph Millard who became world famous for his voluminous contributions in this area of plastic surgery. Facial fillers for both aesthetic and reconstructive patients was an area of early clinical research beginning more than 30 years ago. This has evolved to the area of stem cell concentrated fat grafting when Dr. Obi received the first FDA approved entirely

enclosed fat processing unit (Adivive) in January 2011. During the first four months of his experience in 25 patients Dr. Obi has already shared his results with presentations in Dallas, Boston and New York.

An especially innovative and highly successful invention by Dr. Lewis Obi is the technique of lifting the lateral brow through a direct approach. During the past 30 years he has performed this procedure on more than 3000 patients with the highest success rate of any other technique. In contrast to numerous other procedures designed to correct saggy brows, the Obi technique provides a more natural correction without the “deer in the head lights” look.

Along with innovations and refinements including SlimLipo and Adivive fat grafting, Integration of these very advanced modalities has reduced the invasive nature of facial rejuvenation along with risks, scarring and bottom line expense to the patient. Dr. Obi’s facial rejuvenation technique has a unique trademark reflecting his lifelong involvement in the visual arts. An original quote of Dr. Lewis Obi’s is “Medicine’s contribution to art is the art of Plastic Surgery”.

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

These are too numerous to list and are available upon request.