

PATRICIA NUMANN, MD

Dr. Patricia J. Numann is a native New Yorker who was educated at the University of Rochester and obtained her medical degree and completed her general surgery residency at the State University of New York, Health Science Center at Syracuse. She holds Board Certification from the National Board of Medical Examiners and the American Board of Surgery. Dr. Numann is an active member of numerous professional societies such as the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical Association, the Association of Endocrine Surgeons, the International Society of Surgery, and the American Surgical Association. She has served as Vice-President of the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons and President of the Association for Surgical Education. She is the past Second Vice-President of the American College of Surgeons and past Chair of the American Board of Surgery, the first woman in either position. She was one of the founding members of the Association for Surgical Education and founded the Association for Women Surgeons. She was the first woman elected to the American Medical Association Council on Scientific Affairs.



Dr. Numann has received numerous honors and awards at the local, state, and national levels. She has received the Post Standard Woman of Achievement Award, the Onondaga County Physician Service to the Community Award, the New York State Woman of Accomplishment Award, and the Nina Starr Braunwald Award of the Association of Women Surgeons. She is listed in Best Doctors in America. She has been named, by the SUNY Board of Trustees, as a SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor and a SUNY Distinguished Service Professor. She received the Upstate Medical University Distinguished Alumna Award and SUNY Alumna of Distinction Award. She served as Medical Director of University Hospital for 10 years. She was designated the Lloyd S. Rogers Professor of Surgery in 2000. She was inducted into the International Women Physicians' Hall of Fame and named "Local Legend" to The National Library of Medicine's "Changing Faces of Medicine" exhibit. In 2006 Dr. Numann received AMWA's highest award the Elizabeth Blackwell Medal for her contribution in the professional advancement and recognition of women. Dr. Numann was given The American College of Surgeon's Distinguished Award at the Clinical Congress in October of 2006. She was first woman to receive this prestigious award.

Dr. Numann is particularly interested in education and has been distinguished as a teacher, receiving the Clinical Teacher of the Year Award twice. She has been regularly asked by the graduating medical students to serve as the Faculty Marshall or to deliver the Oath of Hippocrates. Dr. Numann's scientific and clinical interests are in the area of thyroid and parathyroid disease and breast disease, founding The Breast and Endocrine Center which now bears her name. She was highly regarded as a clinical surgeon. She has published numerous articles, abstracts and book chapters. She is committed to equity for women.

Dr. Numann serves on numerous community boards including the Everson Museum of Art, The Community Health Foundation of Western and Central New York, Vera House, Hospice of Central New York and the Greater Roxbury Learning Initiative Corporation.

In January of 2007, she retired from active clinical practice and as Lloyd S Rodgers Professor of Surgery but remains active in many teaching and organizational activities.

She was awarded Emeritus status by SUNY. She was elected First Vice president of the American College of Surgeons in October 2010. In April 2011 she became President-Elect of the American College of Surgeons and in October 2011 was installed as President of the American College of Surgeons. In August 2011 she was awarded the ISS Prize of the International Society of Surgeons. In October 2011, she received an Honorary Fellowship from the Royal College of Surgeons of Glasgow. May 2012, she received an honorary Doctor of Science Degree from Upstate Medical University. In July 2012, she received an Honorary fellowship from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.