

Dr Bronisław J. Orawiec,

graduated from the Silesian School of Medicine in Katowice, Poland and earned his PhD at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, where he held the position of an assistant professor at the Institute of Cardiology. He has earned the second degree and the title of a specialist in Internal Medicine in Poland. He is also board certified and Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular Disease in the USA. After the completion of the residency program in internal medicine and the fellowship in cardiology at the Marshall University, Huntington, WV, in 1989, he moved to Chicago where he established two cardiology clinics. He is also an attending and a consulting cardiologist at five renowned Chicago hospitals.

Dr B. Orawiec has been very active in the Polish-American community, holding several prestigious positions in its organizations. He is a member of the Polish-American Medical Society (PAMS) and he was a president of the organization for a few years (currently, the Honorary President). He is the General Physician of the Polish Highlanders Alliance in America (PHAA) (currently, the General and Honorary Physician of the PHAA), General Physician of the Association of Polish Folk Artists in America, Honorary Physician of the “Tatry” Ski Club, and the Founder and President of the Sport Club “Broniek” of PAMS. Dr. Orawiec has organized 108 sporting events in Chicago, Colorado and Alps, including twenty two “World Polish Physician Alpine Ski Championships”. He is a member of the Education Committee of PHAA, Vice President of the Circle # 45 “Poronin” of PHAA, member of the Board of the Bishop Abramowicz Seminary, past treasurer of the Federation of Polish Medical Organizations Abroad, member of the American Medical Tennis Association and World Medical Tennis Society. He is also a fellow at the American College of Cardiology, American College of Chest Physician and American Biographic Institute.

Dr. B. Orawiec is the author or co-author of over 30 scientific papers in the field of cardiology, he also wrote many articles in popular media and nine books. In 2013, Dr. Orawiec had the great honor to be the Grand Marshall of the Constitution Day Parade in Chicago.

He is the organizer of the annual free flu vaccinations and health risks screenings for Chicago’s Polish community. Thousands of people benefit from these screenings, many of them having their tests done for the first time in their lives. To help people better understand their personal risk for cardiovascular disease, to raise awareness about risk factors, and to promote a healthy life style, Orawiec Cardiac Fund of the PAMS was established. He has also established “Goralskie Posiady Doktora Orawca Foundation” NFP, Orawiec Sport Foundation of the PAMS and the Cardiac Medical Foundation.

Dr. Orawiec has received numerous awards and titles, including “Top Doctor” by The Global Directory of Who’sWho Online (2018); “Labor Omnia Vincit” Medal and Diploma, Hipolit Cegielski Society (Poznań, 2017); “Bene Merito” Award, honorary distinction for promoting Poland abroad, The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland (Warsaw, 2016); The Oswald Balzer Award “Primus Inter Pares” (Zakopane, 2015), “Solidarity” Statuette (2015); The American Board of Cardiology Award of Excellence and Designation as Laureate of the American Board of Cardiology (2013); “Special Recognition”, For his outstanding contributions in the field of cardiology and charity work for Polonia, The American Institute of Polish Culture (2010); Platinum Laurel “Ambassador of Polish Affairs” (Katowice, 2010); Honorary Bieganski’s Statuette, Polish Medical Association, Czestochowa Division (2009); Certificate “Zasłużony dla Sportu”, Polish Medical Association, Warsaw Division (2008); Citibank Polish Heritage Awards in Health & Human Services category (Chicago, 2008); “Gloria Medicinæ” - the highest award from the Polish Medical Association (Warsaw, 2008); “Lifetime Achievement Award”, The World Congress of Arts, Sciences and Communications (Great

Britain, 2007); “International Hall of Fame “ Cambridge, England (2006); “American Hall of Fame” (2006); „Guide to America’s Top Cardiologists” (2006); “American Medal of Honor” (2006); “Polonus 2005”. Radio 1080 AM Chicago; “Primatiali Nomismate Aureo. Ecclesiae Populoque Servitium Praestanti”. Josef Cardinalis Glemp, Primes Poloniae (Warsaw, 2004); the Knight’s Cross of the Order of Polonia Restituta (Warsaw, 2000); numerous sport awards (over 4000 trophies and medals), and 26 titles of the best sportsman among polish physicians (skiing-tennis).

More about Dr. Orawiec at www.drorawiec.org.

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