

ADVANCEMENT OF THE PROFESSION - Albert Sargent, III MD, DLFAPA



Albert John Sargent III, MD is the MPS 2024 Outstanding Psychiatrist Awardee for Advancement of the Profession. With triple boards (Pediatrics, Adult and Child Psychiatry) and a full career as Professor and Chair of Psychiatry at the Menninger Clinic (1997-2001), Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine (2001-2008), he came to Boston in 2009. Here he continues his prodigious career as the Director of the Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry for Tufts Medical Center, has simultaneously been Training Director of the Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Training Program and the Tufts Triple Board Training Program and is active in the Wellforce Accountable Care Organization.

To know John is to love him and seek his guidance, consultation, and energy to solve the challenges of complex patients and their families. There is no Child Psychiatrist more compassionate, more service driven, more emotionally intelligent while going out of his way to provide outstanding, state of the art, clinical care to whomever seeks his help: a doctor's doctor! Dr. Sargent characterizes the servant leader when it comes to being a teacher, Department or Division Chair, supervisor, mentor, and ever available consultant. He goes the extra mile in the service of good care that he delivers himself and not through fellows, trainees, or junior faculty. No request for help or guidance from any of us goes unheeded. And his response is humble, forthright, spot on, providing more than asked for yet just what the patient needs. And this is done with a great sense of humor and engagement with all involved.

Accolades include numerous teaching awards in six nationally renowned academic institutions. Other awards have honored him in over the past 25 years including annually being named Marquis Who's Who in Science, Strathmore's Who's Who, and America's Top Doctors since 2000; Outstanding Scientists of the 21st Century since 2001; Marquis Who's Who since 2006; and Boston's Top Doctors since 2010. Dr. Sargent has been actively involved in numerous professional societies and is currently an active member of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, American Psychiatric Association, Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry, American Association of Director of Psychiatry Residency Training, New England Council on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, American Orthopsychiatry Association, American Family Therapy Academy, American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry, American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Medical Association. During the past several decades his contributions to professional societies has included holding office (Treasurer, President, Secretary, and Nominating Committee).

Dr. Sargent has published over 100 articles, chapters, and editorials with over 63 first authorships. John has had numerous invited lectures locally, nationally, and globally (19 different countries including Bosnia, China, Dubai, and Pakistan). His contribution to Psychiatry stems from being nationally acclaimed as a Family Therapist and his strong and enduring expertise in complex and underserved youth and their families. He specializes in complex case consultations for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a member of the Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Council in the wake of the 2006 verdict on the Rosie D Class Action suit in Massachusetts.

Dr. Sargent is a man of many talents and the most obvious is how he brings himself to his work thereby enriching all he encounters and advancing the capabilities of Psychiatry to help others especially those less served and more ill. It is an honor to introduce you to the Professor and Humanitarian, Dr. John Sargent with the MPS 2024 Outstanding Psychiatrist Award for the Advancement of the Profession.