



2019 MPS OUTSTANDING PSYCHIATRIST AWARDS

PSYCHIATRIC EDUCATION - Albert John Sargent, III, MD



Dr. John Sargent graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and received his medical degree from the University of Rochester School of Medicine where he was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha honor society. He completed an internship and residency in general pediatrics at the University of Wisconsin Hospital. He then did his residency in adult psychiatry at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and his residency in child and adolescent psychiatry at the Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic. He is board-certified in pediatrics, adult psychiatry, and child and adolescent psychiatry.

John has a 30-year record of outstanding teaching and mentoring in child and adolescent psychiatry. His remarkable skills as a teacher and mentor have been recognized with awards for “excellence in teaching” by the University of PA School of Medicine, by the Baylor College of Medicine, and by the Tufts University School of Medicine where he has held faculty appointments.

He is recognized as a national leader in developing systems of care for children with significant behavioral health issues. Other interests include consultation-liaison psychiatry, family therapy, international adoptions, and eating disorders. He has published over 90 peer-reviewed articles, invited chapters, and editorials. He has coauthored three books, including *Madness, Chaos and Violence: Therapy with Families at the Brink* and *Treatment of Child Abuse, Common Ground for Mental Health, Medical, and Legal Practitioners*, the latter of which was praised by Walter Mondale as an “inspiration to all those who have dedicated their professional careers to improving the lives of abused children.”

Dr. Sargent has served on the editorial boards of *Families, Systems, and Health*, *Family Process*, and the *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*. Over the last 40 years his research has been supported by the NIMH, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and various foundations.

He has been elected president of the American Family Therapy Academy; president of the New England Council on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and treasurer of the American Orthopsychiatry Association.

He is a member of the Family Committee for the Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry and is a member of the model Curriculum Task Force for the American Association of Directors Psychiatry Residency Training.

Given his international reputation as a clinical expert in child and adolescent psychiatry and his over three decades as an acknowledged outstanding teacher and mentor, he richly deserves the 2019 Psychiatric Education Award from the MPS.