



## Dr. David R. Murphy

David R. Murphy was a Montrealer who graduated from McGill with both his B.Sc. in 1939 and his M.D.C.M. in 1942. He obtained his Master's of Science Degree in Experimental Surgery in 1949 and studied in the Diploma Course in Surgery 1946-1950 at McGill University. Dr. Murphy then participated in a travel year with visits to a number of universities with particular emphasis

on Paediatric Surgery and Cardiovascular Surgery.

He was in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, 1942-1946, as a Captain, and served on the H.M.C.S. Lady Nelson as a surgeon and later at The Montreal Military Hospital, 1943-1945. He completed a special course in Thoracic Surgery under Dr. Fraser B. Gurd.

Dr. Murphy was an early pioneer in Cardiovascular Surgery in children and corrected defects in the developing child in the early days of this specialty. His publications include topics such as mitral stenosis, extracorporeal circulation and pulmonary stenosis. Dr. Murphy was President of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society and he succeeded Dr. Dudley Ross as Surgeon-in-Chief at The Montreal Children's Hospital in 1954. He remained Surgeon-in-Chief until August 1974, and his many achievements include an increased emphasis on basic surgical research as well as improvements in surgical care for children in all of the surgical specialties. Dr. Murphy also established one of the first five pediatric surgery training programs in North America at The Montreal Children's Hospital.

Sadly, Dr. Murphy passed away in October 2007. He was married to Beatrice Norsworthy Murphy who passed away in December 2012 and had five children and many grandchildren.

It is an honour for The Montreal Children's Hospital Department of Pediatric Surgery to greet Dr. Persing as this year's David R. Murphy Visiting Professor.

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## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual David R. Murphy Visiting Professorship Day at the MCH



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**John A. Persing, MD**

**April 7, 2022**

**John A. Persing, MD**  
Inaugural Irving & Silik Polayes Professor  
Professor Emeritus of Plastic Surgery  
Yale University

**John A. Persing, MD** is the inaugural Irving & Silik Polayes Professor, and now Professor Emeritus of Plastic surgery at Yale University. He received his BA and MD degrees from the University of Vermont. He completed his Neurosurgery and Plastic surgery residencies, as well as Board certifications, while at the University of Virginia. He was Chief of Plastic Surgery at Yale University for 29 years from 1992-2021. He has been a board member and Chair of the Board of Directors, of the American Board of Plastic Surgery, President of the American Association of Plastic Surgeons, the Association of Academic Chairmen of Plastic Surgery, (ACAPS), the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons, the Plastic Surgery Foundation, and the American Association of Pediatric Plastic Surgeons. He was also the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. He has authored or coauthored over 328 peer reviewed papers, 81 chapters and 8 books. He was awarded the "Clinician of the Year" award by the American Association of Plastic Surgeons in 2010, and the James Barrett Brown award from the American Association of Plastic Surgeons in 2015 for the best published paper in Plastic Surgery (2014). He was also awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the American Society of Maxillofacial surgeons 2018, and named a Distinguished Fellow of the American Association of Plastic Surgeons (2019). His research interests include craniofacial anomalies, trauma, volunteerism and residency education.

Research Institute Auditorium (E S1.1129)  
McGill University Health Centre  
<https://mcgill.zoom.us/j/82267877435>

## PROGRAM

April 7, 2022

### Pediatric Surgical Grand Rounds

07:30 - 07:35	<b>Welcome</b> – <i>Dr. Jean-Pierre Farmer</i>
07:35 - 07:40	<b>Introduction of Dr. John A. Persing</b> – <i>Dr. Mirko Gilardino</i>
07:40 - 09:00	<b>Presentation</b> <b>Analysis of the treatment of craniosynostosis: a deeper dive to clarify “outcomes”</b> – <i>Dr. John A. Persing</i>
09:00 – 09:15	<b>Break (Presse Café – RI Atrium)</b>

### Craniosynostosis Multidisciplinary Minisymposium

09:15 – 12:00	<b>Presentations</b>
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