



Caribbean American Heritage Month Commemorative Scientific Lecture



HIV Latency in Perinatal Infection: Opportunities and Challenges Towards an HIV Cure

June 15, 2015

NIH Main Campus, Bethesda, MD



**NIH Caribbean American Heritage Month
2015 Featured Honoree:
Deborah Persaud, MD (Guyanese heritage)
Johns Hopkins University**

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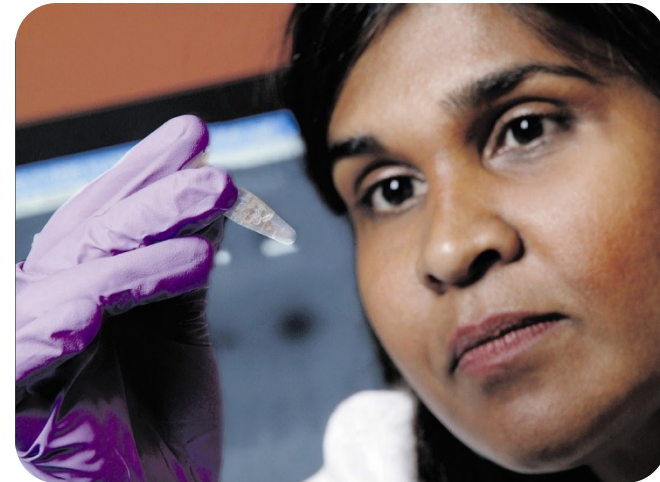


Deborah Persaud, MD **Guyanese heritage**

Caribbean American Heritage Month **2015 Honoree:**

Virologist and Pediatric HIV Researcher

- **Discovered first case of HIV remission in perinatally-infected child**
- **Named to TIME's '100 Most Influential People' in the world list, "Pioneers" category (2013)**
- **Recipient of Elizabeth Glaser Scientist Award (2013)**
- **Emigrated from Guyana to New York City at age 16**



Caribbean American HHS Heroes



J. Nadine Gracia, MD, MSCE
Haitian heritage

Current HHS Leader:

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health
2013-Present

Director, HHS/OASH/OMH
2013-Present

Acting Director, HHS/OASH/OMH
2011-2013

Chief Medical Officer, HHS/OASH
2010-2011



Caribbean American HHS Heroes



Hazel D. Dean, ScD, DrPH(Hon), FACE
Bahamian heritage

Current HHS Leader:

Deputy Director, CDC/NCHHSTP

2006 - Present

Internationally recognized leader in the field of health disparities and health equity research and policy

2012 Recipient, U.S. Presidential Rank Honor
Award for outstanding achievements in public health
and public service (nation's highest civil service award)



Caribbean American HHS Heroes



Marie A. Bernard, MD

Jamaican & Martinican heritage

Current HHS/NIH Leader:

Deputy Director, NIH/NIA

2008 - Present

Renowned geriatric medicine clinician

Former professor and department chair of geriatric medicine

Former chief of staff for Geriatric and Extended Care,
Oklahoma City Veterans Affairs Medical Center



Caribbean American HHS Heroes



Raynard S. Kington, MD, PhD, MBA
Jamaican heritage

Former HHS/NIH Leader:

Deputy Director, NIH 2003-2010

Acting Director, NIH 2008-2009

Acting Director, NIH/NIAAA 2002-2003

Director, NIH/OD/OBSSR 2001-2003

Director, CDC/NHANES 1999-2001





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Caribbean American Heritage Month
Commemorative Scientific Event

NIH Caribbean American Planning Committee

Promoting science for, by, and within the Caribbean

