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

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2015 Featured Honoree:
Deborah Persaud, MD (Guyanese heritage)
Johns Hopkins University
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Guyanese heritage

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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
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
Acting Chief Medical Officer, HHS/OASH
2010-2011
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)
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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