

**2026 Annual Meeting National Medical Association
Otolaryngology Section
William Harry Barnes Medical Society**

LaKeisha Henry, MD, FACS, Chair

Saturday, July 25, 2026

8:00 am Breakfast Sheraton Puerto Rico Resort & Casino Room 6

9:00– 9:10 am Welcome

LaKeisha Henry, MD, FACS
Associate Partner and Comprehensive Otolaryngologist, Ear, Nose, and Throat
Consultants of Nevada
Clinical Associate Professor, Dept. of Surgery, USUHS
Colonel (Retired), United States Air Force, Medical Corps, Flight Surgeon
Henderson, Nevada

Section Moderator:

9:10-9:35 am Clinical and research topics in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

Lamont R. Jones, MD, MBA
Department of Otolaryngology HNS
Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
Co-Director, Cleft and Craniofacial Clinic
Associate Chief Medical Officer, Henry Ford Medical Group
Medical Director, Ambulatory Surgery, Henry Ford Health
Clinical Professor, Department of Surgery, Michigan State University
Clinical Professor, Wayne State University School of Medicine
West Bloomfield, MI

9:35-10:05 am The Ethics of Futile Surgery in Pediatric Otolaryngology: A Structured Review

Earl H. Harley, Jr., MD, FACS, FAAP
Georgetown Professor of Otolaryngology and Pediatrics
Georgetown University School of Medicine
Washington DC

10:05-10:30 am Leadership in Otolaryngology: Navigating Change and Shaping the Future

Duane J. Taylor, MD, D.Sc.h.c.
Private Practice
Bethesda, Maryland

11:00-12:45 pm Lunch and Learn

11:00-12:45 pm Special Guest Speaker

3:30-4:00 pm **Ma'at: First Do No Harm Advocacy and Research Laryngology Update**
H. Steven Sims, MD
Professor
Rush University of Illinois Medical Center
Department Of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at Ui Health
Director of Chicago for Voice Care
Chicago, Illinois

4:00-4:30 pm **The Impact of Environmental Change on Otolaryngologic Conditions**
Charles E. Moore, MD, FAACE
Professor and Eminent Physician, Emory University
Chief of Service, Dept. of Otolaryngology, Grady Health System
Director, Emory Urban Health Initiative
Founder, HEALing Community Health
Past President, American Association for Cancer Education
Atlanta, Georgia

4:30-5:00 pm **Overcoming Societal Challenges to Pediatric Cochlear Implantation**
Cedric Pritchett, MD, MPH, FAAP, FACS
Chief, Division of Pediatric Otolaryngology
Co-Director Ear Hearing & Communication Center
Atlanta, Georgia

5:00-6:00 pm **Business Meeting**

7:00-8:00 pm **Networking/Social Event**

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Sheraton Puerto Rico Resort & Casino Room 6

Section Moderator:

11:30 am-1:30 pm **Lunch and Learn – (Guest Speaker)**

11:45-12:10 pm **Bias**
Ernest M. Myer, MD, FACS
Private Practice
Silver Spring, MD 20695

12:10-1:30 pm **Special Guest Speaker**

1:45-2:05 pm **Pediatric Sleep Apnea**
Erynne A. Faucett, M.D.
Associate Professor
Director of Inclusive Excellence, GME
UC Davis Health | Department of Otolaryngology- Head & Neck Surgery
Sacramento, California

2:05-2:40 pm **Title?**
Rhonda Alexander, MD
Assistant Professor
Department of Otorhinolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery
Director, Laryngology Division
Montefiore Einstein
Bronx, NY 10467

2:40-3:05 pm **Severe Oropharyngeal Trauma in Children**
Earl H. Harley, Jr., MD, FACS, FAAP
Georgetown Professor of Otolaryngology and Pediatrics
Georgetown University School of Medicine
Washington DC

3:05-3:35 **Artificial Intelligence in Otolaryngology**
Duane J. Taylor, MD, D.Sc.h.c.
Private Practice
Bethesda, Maryland

3:35-4:00 pm **Hinton/Gladney Lectureship**

4:00-4:30 pm **Fortson/Harley Historical Lectureship**

4:30-4:45 pm Awards

Monday, July 27, 2026

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Section Moderator:

9:00-11:00 am Virtual Residents and Research Presentations

Students:

Vocal Cord Paralysis Risk Following Taxane Versus Vinca Alkaloid Chemotherapy

Cassie Bowers, BS

New Freedmen's Clinic: Executive Director

Health Advocacy Interest Group: Chair of Community Outreach

M.D Candidate

Howard University College of Medicine

Vocal Cord Dysfunction Following Taxane Therapy in Breast Cancer

Jonathan Vuillier, B.S.

Pronouns: He/Him/His

M.D. Candidate | Class of 2027

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Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss and Subsequent Neurovascular and Cardiovascular Risk: A Population-based Study

Oluebubechukwu E. Eze, BS, BSN
Md Candidate Class of 2027
VP of ENT Interest Group
Howard University College of Medicine

**Benchmarking Tracheostomy Outcomes at the University of Puerto Rico
Within the Global Tracheostomy Collaborative (Poster)**

Augusto Gonzalez Gomez, BS
Second Year Medical Student
Universidad Central del Caribe

**Pocketalkers; Enhancing Clinical Communication with Hearing-Impaired Patients in
Puerto Rico**

Augusto J Gonzales Gomez, BS
Second Year Medical Student
Universidad Central del Caribe