

# **David Hess**

**Dean at Medical College of Georgia**

Augusta, GA, US

Dr. David C. Hess, a stroke specialist, educator, and entrepreneur, is dean of the Medical College of Georgia.

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## **Biography**

Hess, a stroke specialist, honored educator, and biotech entrepreneur, is dean of the Medical College of Georgia and executive vice president for Medical Affairs and Integration at Augusta University.

Dr. Hess helped develop the REACH telestroke network in rural Georgia that now numbers 30 hospitals. REACH enables timely stroke diagnosis and treatment by using the internet to eliminate distance between patients and stroke specialists. He is also Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board of Directors of REACH Health Inc., a telestroke company that spun out of MCG and now also provides similar services for a variety of acute medical problems to patients, physicians and hospitals worldwide.

A prolific physician-scientist whose focus is improving stroke treatment and recovery, Hess has more than 170 peer-reviewed publications and has been involved in basic, pre-clinical and clinical stroke research. He served as the clinical principal investigator for the MASTERS clinical trial, a study of bone-marrow derived stem cells known as “Multistem” in acute stroke.

He is a professor and past Presidential Distinguished Chair in the MCG Department of Neurology.

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Academic Medicine, Stroke, Neuroscience, Telemedicine, Neurology, Molecular Medicine, Stem Cell Research

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## **Affiliations**

REACH Health Inc.: Chairman of Board of Directors, American Board of Internal Medicine - Certified - 1986, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology - Certified - 1990

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## **Accomplishments**

### **America's Top Doctors**

Hess has been named to the list of America's Top Doctors in neurology for more than 15 consecutive years. Compiled by Castle Connolly Ltd., this prestigious list represents the top 1 percent of physicians in the nation.

### **Exemplary Medical Student Teaching Award**

Medical College of Georgia - 2014

**Distinguished Research Award**

Augusta University Research Institute - 2012

**Outstanding Faculty Member Award**

MCG - 2012

**Exemplary Teaching Award**

MCG - 2012

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