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**City:** Buffalo, MN

**Date of Graduation from Medical School:** 1957

**Medical School Graduated From:** Manitoba Medical College

**Residency Location:** McGill, Montreal, Canada

**Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery

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**What factors influenced your decision to become a physician?** A challenging course, difficult to be admitted to the course and the opportunity to help, and specifically, to help repeatedly in mission hospitals in Africa, Papua New Guinea and Brazil.

**Did you have any mentors or influential people in the course of your medical training or career who made an impact on you?** Dr. Percy Johnson while in General Practice in Flin Flon, Manitoba and, also at McGill – Dr. H.F. Mosely, Orthopedic Surgeon.

**Did you experience a defining moment that made you feel you had become a physician?** July, 1957, when a high school boy – about 16 years old, arrived at the hospital (Manitoba). He had been in a farm accident, fracturing and burning both legs. He required emergency stabilization, above knee amputation of both legs. He survived surgery. He later did well with bilateral prostheses.

**What advice would you give to medical students graduating in the class of 2007?** Prepare to work hard and be ready for increasing rates of changes.

**What is the most significant medical innovation you experienced in your years of practice?** Development of, and steady refinement of total joints replacements, - organ replacements. Personal experience of doing total joint replacements of hips, also knees and shoulders.





