

The Northeast Tennessee Medical Society would like to nominate William Turney Williams, MD for the TMA Outstanding Physician Award.

For many years, Dr Williams has been a champion for medicine in northeast Tennessee. He has mentored many young physicians, residents and students in the importance of advocating for medicine in the State of Tennessee.

Dr Williams is a board-certified anesthesiologist/pain medicine physician who practiced in Johnson City, Tn. Dr Williams has been an active member of the TMA for "too many years to count." He has served on the TMA Legislative Committee for six years and has been the Chairman of the TMA Legislative Committee for the last four years.

Dr Williams served for four years as President of the Washington-Unicoi-Johnson Counties Medical Society (WUJMS) and as an executive committee member of both WUJMS and the Northeast Tennessee Medical Society.

The person; Turney was born in Albuquerque, NM. He is one of six children. Turney's father was a US Air Force Colonel. The William's family was stationed in Belgium and while going to high school in Belgium, Turney was a member of the European All-Star Tennis Team.

Turney attended North State College in Aberdeen, SD majoring in chemistry. He received a MS degree in Biochemistry from the University of Nebraska. Turney attended the University of South Dakota School of Medicine and Washington University in St Louis, MO. Graduating with a MD in 1979.

He completed a surgery internship at the University of Iowa Hospitals and a residency in anesthesiology at the University of Missouri Hospitals. He did a fellowship in neuroanesthesia at the Mayo School of Medicine and a Fellowship in Neurosciences at the University Of Missouri School Of Medicine.

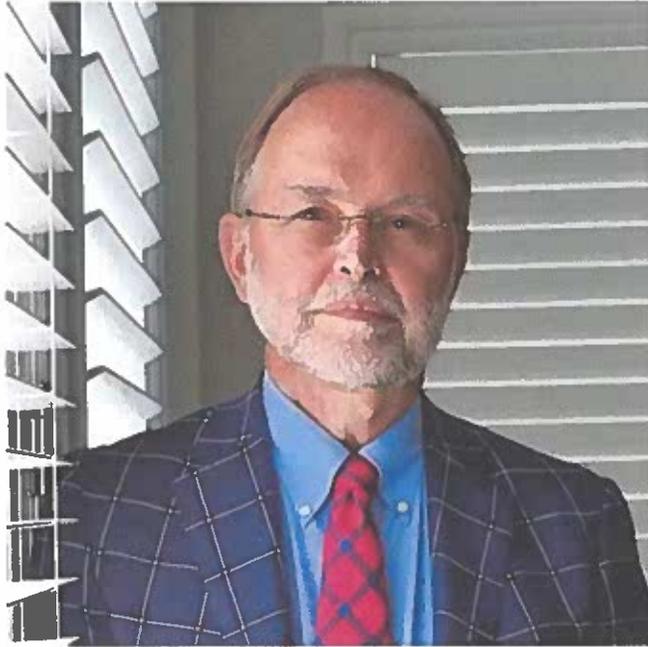
In 1988, Turney found his way to northeast Tennessee where he practiced anesthesiology at the Johnson City Medical Center and Johnson City Specialty Hospitals from 1988 to 2000.

In 2000, he and (insert names) started Pain Medicine Associates, a multispecialty chronic pain management practice. Turney retired in 2024.

Outside of medicine, Turney has been very active in politics. He has served as the Chairman of the Washington County Republican Party for eight years and was named Statesman of the Year by the Tennessee Republican Party in 2021. He was recently honored with a State of Tennessee General Assembly Resolution in 2025.

He has also served on the Board of the Humane Society of Washington County. Turney enjoys hiking, fly-fishing, skiing and traveling. As an experienced mountain climber, he has conquered Mt Rainer and Mt Whitney on several occasions.

Therefore, we members of the Northeast Tennessee Medical Society enthusiastically nominate William Turney Williams, MD for Physician of the Year.



William Turney Williams, M.D.
Curriculum Vitae

Name: William Turney Williams, M.D.

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Address:

Residence: 179 Hayfield Dr.
Johnson City, TN 37615
(423) 753-8298

Business: Pain Medicine Associates, P.C.
101 MedTech Parkway, Suite 200
Johnson City, TN 37604
(423) 232-6120

Personal Information:

Date of Birth: October 02, 1951
Place of Birth: Albuquerque, NM
Citizenship: United States

Education:

Undergraduate: Northern State College 08/1971 – 05/1973
Aberdeen, South Dakota
B. S. Chemistry

Post Graduate: University of Nebraska 08/1973 – 05/1975
Lincoln, Nebraska
M.S. Biochemistry

Medical: University of South Dakota 08/1975 – 05/1977
School of Medicine
Vermillion, South Dakota
B. S. Medicine

Washington University 07/1977 – 05/1979
School of Medicine
St. Louis, Missouri
M. D. – Doctor of Medicine

Additional Qualification in Pain Management

ACLS -- Provider
ACLS -- Instructor

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Licensure:

Tennessee	MD-19104	1988
Pennsylvania	MD-023936-E	1980
Missouri	MD-R6F68	1986

Societies:

Tennessee Medical Association
Tennessee Society of Anesthesiology
American Society of Anesthesiology
International Anesthesia Research Society
Society of Neurosurgical Anesthesia and Critical Care
Society of Pain Practice Management
American Society of Pain Management
International Spinal Injection Society

Professional Interests:

Founder and Medical director of 90 employee multidisciplinary spinal intervention and pain practice with offices in Johnson City, Kingsport and Bristol, Tennessee
Delegate-Tennessee Medical Society
Chairman-Tennessee Medical Society Legislative Committee
Member-State Opiate Utilization Committee
Board Member-Humane Society of Washington County

Personal Interests

Past Chairman-Washington County Republican Party
Good government and politics
Hiking
Fly-fishing

Post Graduate Training:

Internship: (Surgery)	University of Iowa Hospitals Iowa City, Iowa	1979 – 1980
Residency:	University of Missouri Hospitals Columbia, Missouri	1983 – 1985
Fellowship: (Neuroanesthesia)	Mayo School of Medicine St. Mary's Hospital Rochester, Minnesota	1985 (May-June)
Fellowship: (Neurosciences)	University of Missouri School of Medicine Columbia, Missouri	1985 – 1986 (Sept.-Feb.)

Professional Appointments

Assistant Director Department of Emergency Services Hazelton General Hospital Hazelton, Pennsylvania	07/1980 – 06/1982
Attending Physician Department of Emergency Services St. Joseph's Hospital Hazelton, Pennsylvania	07/1982 – 08/1983
Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology University of Missouri School of Medicine Columbia, Missouri	09/1986 – 06/1988
Staff Anesthesiologist Department Chairman Johnson City Medical Center Johnson City, Tennessee	1988-Present 1988-1990
Staff Anesthesiologist Johnson City Specialty Hospital Johnson City, Tennessee	1990-2000
Pain Medicine Associates, P.C. 101 Med Tech Parkway, Suite 200 Johnson City, TN 37604	2000-present Medical Director

Research and Clinical Activities

Alfentanil: Co-investigator, multi-institutional 1986

Neurosciences: Cortical Potentials Associated with
Voluntary Motor Activity

Epidural Narcotics: Clinical Comparison of Epidural Narcotics
For Post-Operative Pain Management

Principal Attending Physician for Anesthesia-Acute and Chronic Pain Management Services

Publication:

Anesthetic Management During Therapeutic
Distribution of the Blood Brain Barrier

“Anesthesia and Analgesia” 65:1888-190.1986

Professional Interest:

Cardiothoracic Anesthesia
Acute and Chronic Pain Management
Member-Tennessee Chronic Pain Guidelines Committee

Awards:

Dean’s Award 1977
University of South Dakota
School of Medicine

Robert D. Dripps Award for 1986
Outstanding Graduate Resident
In Anesthesiology

Certification:

Diplomat-National Board of 1979
Medical Examiners

American Board of Anesthesiology 1987
(Certified)

American Board of Anesthesiology 1994

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 411

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor Dr. William Turney Williams, Chairman of the Washington County Republican Party.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable public servants who work to improve the quality of life for their fellow citizens through their involvement in the political process; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William Turney Williams has proven himself to be an invaluable asset to the Washington County Republican Party, which he has ably and devotedly served as chairman; and

WHEREAS, a native of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Mr. Williams grew up as one of six children in a military family; his father, a Colonel in the Air Force, served as Commander of the Office of Aerospace Research in Belgium; and

WHEREAS, while attending high school in Belgium, Turney Williams earned a place on the European All-Star tennis team; he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from Northern State College in Aberdeen, South Dakota, and his Master of Science degree in Bio-Chemistry from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, choosing to devote his life to medicine, he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Medicine from the University of South Dakota School of Medicine and his Doctor of Medicine degree at the prestigious Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri, graduating in 1979; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Dr. Williams moved to Johnson City to begin his medical career at Johnson City Medical Center; he later joined Anesthesia Associates before founding Pain Medicine Associates, spending decades helping community members manage chronic pain and

improve their quality of life; he only recently retired from practicing medicine, after a distinguished thirty-seven-year career as a physician in East Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, beyond his professional accomplishments, Dr. Turney Williams has been a pillar of civic engagement, serving as Chairman of the Washington County Republican Party for a number of years and remaining active in local politics; and

WHEREAS, his commitment to service extends to animal welfare through his volunteer work with and donations to the Appalachian Highlands Humane Society and Washington County Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, passionate about the outdoors, Dr. Williams is an accomplished mountaineer, having conquered Mt. Rainier twice, summited Mt. Whitney, and tackled numerous "fourteeners" in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, his love for nature manifests in various activities, including fishing, skiing, hiking, backpacking, camping, mountain biking, and kayaking; when not exploring the wilderness or taking care of animals, Dr. Turney Williams can usually be found immersed in a history book; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Williams is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service and political engagement that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Washington County Republican Party Chairman Dr. William Turney Williams, salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.