The OSU College of Medicine
Clotilde D. Bowen, MD, Diversity Lecture Series
Featuring Pioneering Orthopedic Surgeon
Augustus A. White III, MD, PhD

Thursday, April 12, 2012
12:30 - 2:00 pm
234 Meiling Hall, 370 W 9th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210

Students, House Officers, Faculty and Staff:

You are cordially invited to attend a lunch and presentation for students by Dr. Augustus White, the 2012 Clotilde Bowen Diversity Lecturer at The Ohio State University College of Medicine.

Our guest speaker and visiting professor, Augustus A. White III, MD, PhD, is the Ellen and Melvin Gordon Distinguished Professor of Medical Education and Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Harvard Medical School. Dr. White is the first African American chief at Harvard’s teaching hospitals and specializes as a spine surgeon, educator, and researcher in the clinical biomechanics of the spine. In addition to writing over 250 articles and book chapters, he is recognized as a leader in the fight for health equity. His latest book, Seeing Patients: Unconscious Bias in Health Care, is a must read.

This interactive session will focus on medical education and the impact of diversity. The title of Dr. White’s presentation is “Diversity and Sensitivity Training-It’s Importance In Education.”

Clotilde Dent Bowen, MD – Her Memory Lives On

Dr. Bowen was the first African-American female to graduate from The OSU College of Medicine and the first female physician in the United States Army.

She was the first African-American female to earn the rank of colonel in the U.S. Army, to command a military hospital clinic, and to be named Chief of Psychiatry in two Veterans Administration hospitals and two Army medical centers. She was awarded the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit in 1971 for her work in setting up drug treatment centers and for her efforts in lessening racial conflicts during the Vietnam War. She was also awarded the Meritorious Service Medal in 1974.

Dr. Bowen established the Clotilde Dent Bowen MD Endowed Scholarship Fund in the College of Medicine to support students who had financial need and who shared her passion to help others through medicine. She is quoted as saying, “Everything in my life started with going to OSU medical school and being the first black woman to graduate with a medical degree. From then on, it’s been a life that most people can’t imagine.” Dr. Bowen passed away on March 3, 2011.

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Space is limited to 50 attendees. Please RSVP by March 1, 2012 to Julia Panzo at Julia.Panzo@osumc.edu.