

# MTMC honors 2010 physicians of the year

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Middle Tennessee Medical Center held its annual Physician Christmas Reception at the Stones River Country Club on Thursday, where Chief of Medical Staff Dr. Edward Eastham announced the hospital's top doctors.

Dr. Sally Bullock was named physician of the year, Dr. Brad Chesney received the clinical excellence award and Dr. Robert Dray received the Olin Williams Distinguished Service award.

"I am as proud of our medical staff as I have ever been," said Dr. Andy Brown, vice president of medical affairs. "I truly believe we have the best medical staff in the state of Tennessee."

Honored physicians were chosen by the MTMC medical staff. Possible areas for consideration when nominating physician of the year included longevity on the medical staff, hospital service, medical staff offices, committees, hospital board membership, medical



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From left, MTMC CEO and President Gordon Ferguson, Dr. Edward Eastham, MTMC's Chief of Medical Staff Dr. Brad Chesney, Dr. Robert Dray, Dr. Sally Bullock and Dr. Andy Brown, MTMC's vice president of medical affairs, pose for a photo honoring Dray, Bullock and Chesney as physicians of the year.

and community service, and service to the needy.

• Bullock became a member of the MTMC medical staff in 1984. A certified medical director, she was appointed medical director of the Hospitalist Program in 2007. A talented and well-respected physician in the community, her expertise as a

physician and passion for long-term care has enhanced the quality patient care of the hospitalist program.

She earned her bachelor of science degree in chemistry at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. She then went on to

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get her doctor of medicine at the University of Arkansas in Little Rock. She completed her internship and residency in internal medicine at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis.

She has served as a leader with several organizations and was a previous board member of the Murfreesboro Medical Clinic. She has served on the Hospice of Murfreesboro advisory board, the Stones River IPA and is a member of the American Medical Directors Association.

Before being appointed as MTMC's medical director, she served as the medical director of the Boulevard Terrace Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Murfreesboro and NHC Healthcare in Franklin.

She is married to William Bullock, an attorney with Bullock, Fly and

Hornsby. They have two daughters, Kelly and Jamie, and are active members of First Presbyterian Church in Murfreesboro.

"I do not exactly feel worthy, but I am deeply honored. I am extremely devoted to MTMC and very proud to be a part of this community," she said.

• Chesney, an obstetrics and gynecology specialist, received the clinical excellence award for his efforts in enhancing the way care is provided to women in Middle Tennessee.

A robot certified physician who uses the daVinci surgical treatment to provide a less invasive surgery with a quicker recovery time, he has remained focused on finding ways to increase patient satisfaction by exploring different options for providing care. Dr. Chesney is the first doctor at MTMC to have his surgery broadcast live via facebook and twitter.

He earned his medical degree from the Universi-

ty of Texas Health Science Center and completed his residency at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville.

He is a selected member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society. He has received the Texas Legislative Award for Academic Excellence and is a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He is a highly respected member of his community and an active member of First United Methodist Church. He resides in Murfreesboro with his wife KJ and 2 daughters.

• Dray is the recipient of the 2010 Olin Williams Distinguished Service Award. This award is given to a physician who is dedicated to the betterment of MTMC and the community and who has shown great wisdom and compassion throughout their medical career.

He graduated from Dartmouth College and then graduated with his

medical degree from the University of Vermont College of Medicine. He was also a general surgery intern and resident at New England Deaconess Harvard Surgery Program. He completed his urology residency at Vanderbilt University Hospital.

Dray has been practicing in Murfreesboro since 1985, treating adult and pediatric patients. He is a board certified urologist and a fellow of American College of Surgeons. He has served on the MTMC Board of Directors since 2002.

He lives in Murfreesboro with his wife. He has two daughters and three grandchildren.

The Olin Williams Distinguished Service Award was created in memory of Dr. Olin Williams, a general surgeon in Murfreesboro, known for his compassion and surgical skills who was heavily involved in community and church.