Dr. Thomas J. Francel: A Pioneer in Plastic Surgery and Compassionate Care

Renowned Surgeon Combines Expertise and Empathy to Transform Lives



figure in the field of plastic surgery, continues to make significant contributions to both medical education and patient care. With a distinguished academic background, extensive surgical training, and a commitment to compassionate service, Dr. Francel has earned recognition as one of the leading plastic surgeons in the United States.

He completed his undergraduate studies at Harvard College and earned his medical degree from the University of Cincinnati. His dedication to compassionate care is exemplified by the scholarship established in his honor by an anonymous patient in 2010 at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. This scholarship, awarded annually to a deserving medical student, recognizes those who demonstrate exceptional compassion for others, reflecting Dr. Francel's values.

With surgical training that spans prestigious institutions such as Harvard Surgical Services, Johns Hopkins Hospital, and the Maryland Shock Trauma Center, Dr. Francel is board-certified in both general and plastic surgery. He has held prominent positions, including Chief of Plastic Surgery at Mercy Medical Center-St. Louis was an Assistant Professor at Washington University School of Medicine, where he imparted his knowledge and expertise to the next generation of surgeons.

Dr. Francel's clinical expertise encompasses both aesthetic and reconstructive plastic surgery. He has published over 25 manuscripts in leading journals and contributed to six textbooks, focusing on critical areas such as facial rejuvenation and breast surgery. His work has not only advanced the field of plastic surgery but has also provided invaluable resources for fellow surgeons and medical professionals.

Recognized for his contributions to the industry, Dr. Francel has served on the editorial staff of the Annals of Plastic Surgery and has been invited to lecture nationally and internationally. His involvement in the landmark 20-year FDA study of silicone gel-filled breast implants highlights his commitment to patient safety and education in plastic surgery.

For over three decades, Dr. Francel has been dedicated to serving patients who cannot afford necessary surgical procedures. His work at the John Fitzgerald Kennedy Clinic at Mercy Hospital, St. Louis, has provided critical reconstructive surgery to individuals facing post-surgical defects and deformities, including breast reconstruction for cancer survivors. His advocacy for patient safety and education is evident through his appearances on national media and his authorship of "Exposing Bad Plastic Surgery."

Dr. Francel's surgical expertise includes facial rejuvenation, breast surgery, and body contouring, making him a sought-after surgeon for both aesthetic and reconstructive procedures. His deep commitment to patient care and education has earned him accolades, including awards for excellence in teaching from Washington University and recognition from the Plastic Surgery Education Foundation.

In addition to his surgical practice, Dr. Francel has been the plastic surgeon for the St. Louis Blues NHL team since 1992, providing care to players, their families, and staff. His combination of surgical skill, dedication to patient advocacy, and commitment to education makes Dr. Thomas J. Francel a beacon of excellence in the field of plastic surgery.

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