

Arthur R. James, MD

Arthur R. James, MD, FACOG, is a retired obstetrician, gynecologist, and pediatrician who has been involved in the care of underserved populations for the entirety of his medical career. His primary area of interest is equity. He is a former member of the Health and Human Services Secretary's Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality, a former Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Pediatrics at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center and Nationwide Children's Hospital, former Co-Chair of the Ohio Collaborative to Prevent Infant Mortality, the former Interim Executive Director of The Ohio State University Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, former member of the board of Directors for the Centering Health Care Institute as well as the former Director of the State of Michigan's Infant Mortality Task Force, former Co-Chair of the March of Dimes/Center for Disease Control's Health Equity Work Group, and former Consultant to First Year Cleveland (a Cuyahoga Countywide effort to decrease infant mortality and eliminate the racial disparity in birth outcomes).

James completed his undergraduate degree at Stanford University and medical school at Washington University in St. Louis. He completed his residency training at Nationwide Children's Hospital and the University of Texas at Houston Medical Center. Much of his approach to improving clinical outcomes is informed by the experience of being the youngest of six children in a poor family from an underresourced, marginalized, and predominantly Black community in an inner city.