

Dr. Alan Braverman

Alan Braverman is a 1979 graduate of Smith-Cotton High School. He was valedictorian of his graduating class. While at Smith-Cotton, Dr. Braverman was a state qualifier in swimming and an all-conference performer in soccer. He also participated in the drama club, jazz band, and was National Honor Society president.

After high school graduation, Dr. Braverman attended UMKC undergraduate and medical school. He graduated with honors, including the Vice Chancellor's Award, and was selected to be the class commencement speaker. His career path of choice was



cardiology. He attended Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital for internal medicine and cardiovascular disease training. He was selected as Chief Medical Resident and was Instructor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School. In 1991, he was recruited to the faculty of Washington University School of Medicine and has been there his entire career.

Dr. Braverman has a very large practice and cares for numerous patients in the St. Louis area. At Washington University's School of Medicine, he has been awarded the Alumni Endowed Professorship in Cardiovascular Diseases. He serves as the Director of the Inpatient Cardiology Firm, which is the teaching service for cardiology among the internal medicine residents and students. Four times, he has received the Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award from his medical students. He serves as editor for Current Opinion in Cardiology, is on the Editorial Board for the journal, Aorta, is a medical reviewer for several medical journals, and has authored over 75 scientific manuscripts, textbook chapters, and review articles. He is a nationally recognized expert in diseases of the aorta. His research and work on Marfan Syndrome has been published in The New England Journal of Medicine, The World Book Encyclopedia, The New York Times, and numerous other publications. He is the Director of the Marfan Syndrome Clinic at Washington University and Barnes Jewish Hospital and serves on the Board of Directors of the National Marfan Foundation. His work in cardiovascular disease has led to many awards and honors. He has been listed as one of "The Best Doctors in America" since 1998, and in the Castle Connolly's Guide to Top Doctors. He has been awarded the Hugh McCullough Award from the American Heart Association, the Neville Grant Award for Excellence in Clinical Care by the physicians at Barnes Jewish Hospital, and the Antoine Marfan Award from the National Marfan Foundation. In 2010, he was awarded the E. Grey Diamond "Take Wing Award" from the UMKC School of Medicine and was invited to give the commencement address at the 25th anniversary of his graduation from medical school.

Inducted in Smith-Cotton Academic Hall of Fame, 2013