

Event Invitation

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St. Francis-Emory Healthcare Dedicating Graduate Medical Education Learning Centers in Memory of Richard Smith and Jerry “Pops” Barnes *Honoring those who made these facilities possible*

What:

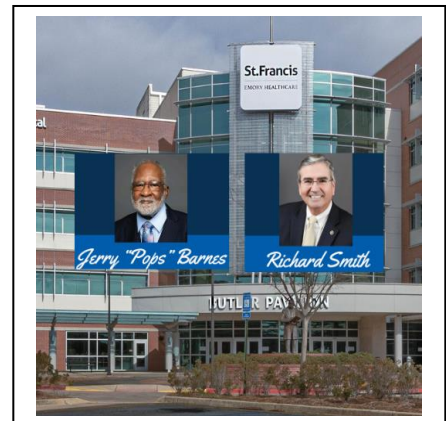
St. Francis-Emory Healthcare will honor Richard Smith, former State of Georgia Chair of the House Rules Committee, and Jerry “Pops” Barnes former Columbus City Council member.

Friday, Sept. 20, 2024

11 a.m.

Butler Pavilion Lobby

**2300 Manchester Expressway, 31904
(South side of the Hospital)**



- St. Francis-Emory Healthcare will proudly honor two public servants whose tireless efforts and unwavering support has advanced St. Francis-Emory Healthcare’s Graduate Medical Education (GME) Programs. Thanks to the guidance, hard work and dedication of Representative Smith and Councilman Barnes, our Psychiatry and Internal Medicine Residency Programs have a solid foundation, poised for continued growth into the future. We will commemorate their legacies, honoring the Barnes and Smith families with the dedication of newly constructed Learning Center spaces.
- Thanks to Smith’s advocacy, \$1 million dollars was granted through the Georgia Department of Community Health and the State Office of Rural Health, allowing for construction of Learning Centers on the main hospital campus and at The Bradley Center. Along with a resident Physician Lounge and training area.

Who:

Residents and Program Faculty will be available to discuss:

- The immediate impact and legacy of both Smith and Barnes on the current 44 GME residents. And how the GME programs are shaping the healthcare landscape in Columbus and beyond.

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About St. Francis-Emory Healthcare:

St. Francis-Emory Healthcare, a part of ScionHealth, is a 376-bed facility that offers a full range of inpatient, outpatient and emergency room services and is the only area hospital offering open heart surgery. With more than 2,800 employees, 300 physicians and the latest technology, we strive to help you regain and maintain your health. Our overriding goal is to provide you with the best possible care. For more information, visit www.MyStFrancis.com.