

Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery

Fourth Annual Dr. Lawrence H. and Mrs. Roberta Cohn
Visiting Professor Lecture

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"Stanford and Brigham, Shumway and Cohn: The Legacy"

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Dr. Frederick Y. Chen grew up and attended public schools in Athens, Georgia. He was educated at Harvard College, Harvard Medical School, and MIT, and received a Ph.D. in the engineering sciences from Harvard and MIT. He trained in general surgery at Brigham and Women's Hospital and in thoracic surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital.

His research interest includes the application of engineering techniques and methods to understand cardiovascular physiology with an emphasis on heart failure. His clinical practice spans the entire spectrum of adult cardiac surgery.

Dr. Chen also has a keen interest in surgical education. His principal mentor in cardiac surgery was Dr. Lawrence H. Cohn. He enjoys spending time with his wife, Sherleen, and his two children, Brandon and Alyssa, in his free time.

Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

It is a privilege to welcome you to the Fourth Annual Dr. Lawrence H. and Mrs. Roberta Cohn Visiting Professor Lecture.

To serve as this year's visiting lecturer, we are honored to have Dr. Frederick Y. Chen, Chief, Division of Cardiac Surgery at the Tufts Medical Center. Thank you for joining us on this special event. Please give Dr. Chen a warm welcome.

Sincerely,

Joseph Woo, MD



Lawrence H. Cohn, M.D.

Dr. Lawrence H. Cohn was born in San Francisco, California. He received his baccalaureate with honors from the University of California, Berkeley, and his M.D. from Stanford School of Medicine. He received graduate training at Boston City Hospital, National Heart Institute, University of California, San Francisco, and Stanford University, where he was one of Dr. Norman Shumway's early trainees.

Dr. Cohn was on the staff of the Brigham and Women's Hospital for his entire career, beginning in 1971. He was chief of the Brigham cardiac surgery program for decades. He was a professor of surgery at Harvard Medical School beginning in 1980. In 2000, he was awarded the first endowed chair in cardiac surgery, the Virginia and James Hubbard Chair in cardiac surgery. Harvard also awarded Dr. Cohn an honorary Masters of Medicine in 1989. The University of Paris awarded him a Doctor Honoris Causa in 1992.

Dr. Cohn performed over 11,000 cardiac surgical operations and was a world-renowned expert in the field of valve repair and replacement surgery and minimally invasive heart valve surgery. He trained more than 150 residents and fellows at Brigham and Women's Hospital/Children's Hospital Medical Center

cardiothoracic residency program. Graduates of this program occupy responsible positions at major medical centers worldwide. Thirty have gone on to be division chiefs or department chairs.

In 2005, Dr. Cohn received the Paul Dudley White Award, the highest award given by the American Heart Association.

Throughout his career, Dr. Cohn assumed leadership roles in many professional organizations. He served as chair of the Brigham and Women's Physicians Organization, chair of the Physician and Scientist Fundraising Group at the Brigham and Women's Hospital and physician director of Medical Device Technology for Partners HealthCare Systems. He was president of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery, American College of Chest Physicians, and the Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education. He was chairman of the Board of the National Library of Medicine. He held leadership roles in the American Board of Thoracic Surgery and American College of Cardiology and honorary memberships in four international professional organizations.

Dr. Cohn's clinical and research interests spanned the entirety of adult cardiac surgery. He published over 440 original scientific articles and 12 books, including Cardiac Surgery in the Adult, $2^{\rm nd}$ and $3^{\rm rd}$ editions. He served on the editorial board of 14 prestigious journals and was editor of the Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, the most referenced journal in the field.

Dr. Cohn also was also active in the community as a board member of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the Boys and Girls Club of Boston.

Along with his wife Roberta, Dr. Cohn is survived by daughters Leslie Bernstein and Jennifer Cohn, granddaughters Carly and Rachel, grandson Cameron, and son-in-law Stephen Bernstein.