



The Honorable William H. Frist, M.D.

Former U.S. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist is the University Distinguished Professor at Vanderbilt University Medical School. He is a heart and lung transplant surgeon.

Dr. Frist majored in health policy at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs before graduating with honors from Harvard Medical School and completing surgical residency at Massachusetts General Hospital and a heart transplantation chief residency at Stanford. As the founder and Director of the Vanderbilt Multi-Organ Transplant Center, he has performed over 150 heart and lung transplants and authored over 100 peer-reviewed medical articles, over 400 newspaper articles and six books on topics such as bioterrorism and transplantation. He is board certified in both general and heart surgery.

Dr. Frist represented Tennessee in the U.S. Senate for 12 years and was elected Majority Leader to the Senate. Under his leadership, affordable access to prescription drugs for seniors in Medicare was ensured.

Dr. Frist annually leads medical mission trips to Africa. Frist is chair of Save the Children's "Survive to Five Campaign." His current board service includes the Kaiser Family Foundation, Harvard Medical School Board of Fellows, Millennium Challenge Corporation, Africare, the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, the Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Hope Through Healing Hands.

Frist was the 2007-2008 Frederick H. Schultz Professor of International Economic Policy at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. He is married and has three sons.