

# ARTHUR D. ALLEN, MD

## 2024 SERVICE AWARDS

*December 18, 2024*



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DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel  
Bay City Riverfront  
Bay City, Michigan

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Cocktail Reception  
5:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting and  
Awards Presentation  
6:00 p.m.

# PROGRAM

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Introduction of Board Members and  
New Medical Staff Members

Annual Medical Staff Business Meeting

Presentation of  
25 Year Service Awards

Presentation of the  
ARTHUR D. ALLEN, MD  
SERVICE AWARD

Closing Remarks

Adjournment

## ***IN RECOGNITION***

The success of our health system lies in the vital contributions made by our physicians, especially those who have served our community over the past quarter century.

- Because you care for patients at McLaren Bay Region, and order treatments and medication, you play an immediate role in the life of the hospital.
- Your service as Medical Staff officers, on boards and committees has been instrumental in the growth and quality of this institution.
- You are the impetus behind many technological advances at McLaren Bay Region. As your skills grow to meet the challenges of medicine, you bring the hospital along with you as a partner in that growth.
- Because you choose to practice in Bay City, our family, friends and neighbors benefit from improved access to primary and specialty care, close to home.
- You direct and oversee many essential community health services. You volunteer your time and expertise to conduct important disease prevention programs, such as prostate cancer and cardiovascular screenings.



Many of you conduct research with the goal of improving available therapies and treatments.

- Every one of you works diligently to improve your professional skills, resulting in more and better services for your patients.
- In the past year, you have volunteered to accept referrals from and/or staff the Helen M. Nickless Volunteer Clinic, bringing essential primary and specialty care to the underserved and uninsured in our community.
- Your dedication to excellence has played a key role in McLaren Bay Region earning the following recognitions in 2024:

*2024 Gold Seal of Approval for Comprehensive Accreditation from the Joint Commission; American Heart Association Get With The Guidelines Stroke Gold Plus; American Heart Association's Target: StrokeSM Elite/Honor Roll; Newsweek America's Best Physical Rehabilitation Center; Newsweek America's Best Vascular Surgeons List; Society for Vascular Surgery's Vascular Quality Initiative 3 Star Rating*

- You present community health programs, often free of charge, and when necessary, you provide important and reliable health information to the public through the media.

***For these and many other contributions, we salute the medical staff of McLaren Bay Region.***

## ABOUT ARTHUR D. ALLEN, MD

Arthur D. Allen was a medical doctor; a surgeon who practiced in Bay City for nearly 50 years. He was born in 1894 and died in 1977. The work he began early in the last century continues today through his legacy to the community.

Dr. Allen began his medical practice in Auburn as a general practitioner. After six years, he decided to enter the field of surgery. He returned to school for additional training, an unusual commitment during a time when specialties such as surgery were learned through apprenticeship.

In 1920, Dr. Allen married Ruth McIntire. They had two children; a son, William, who died at age 12 of a congenital heart condition, and their daughter, Nancy.

Dr. Allen used a horse and sleigh during the winter to make house calls. He had several horses stabled around his practice territory so he could get to patients in an emergency. It was said of Dr. Allen that he always put his patients first, even before his family.

An inventor, he developed an alcohol mixture to use in car radiators before the days of antifreeze. Dr. Allen developed a motor that could be immersed in water, and a special fracture frame that was later patented by the salesman who

distributed the device. He was one of the first to use hydrotherapy for his patients.

In 1938, Dr. Allen led a group of physicians who built the Allen Medical building on Bay City's West Side. It was described as having a "monumental atmosphere." The facility attracted the attention of many architects and medical professionals from across the nation. The Allen Medical Building was built at a cost of \$50,000- at the time a tremendous sum-yet Dr. Allen paid off the loan in just 10 years.

During World War II, when most physicians in town were drafted, Dr. Allen worked 15 hours a day, 7 days a week providing medical care to a desperately underserved community.

At his death in 1977, Dr. Allen provided another legacy to McLaren Bay Region in the form of a trust fund. Annual distributions from the fund are used exclusively for McLaren Bay Region equipment purchases.

Arthur D. Allen, MD was a man of vision and enterprise. He touched many lives during his 50 years as a physician, and through his vision he continues to contribute to the profession he loved.

**The Arthur D. Allen MD Service Award was created to honor other physicians who have provided distinguished service to the medical staff and community.**

## 2024 AWARDS

The following physicians have devoted their lives to the service of medicine, to the health of his patients and to the welfare of their community. It is with great pride that we honor Varin U. Kule, MD with the Arthur D. Allen, MD Service Award.



# Varin U. Kule, MD

*Internal Medicine,  
Gastroenterology*

- **Certification:** American Board of Internal Medicine (Internal Medicine & Gastroenterology)
- **Medical School:** Chulalongkorn University
- **Training:** Trumbull Memorial Hospital, Wayne State University  
Affiliate Hospitals, Providence Hospital
- **Staff Appointment:** July 1977



***We are proud to add the following physicians to the list of those who have served McLaren Bay Region for more than 25 years.***

**Mohamed S. Ali, MD**

*Internal Medicine (April 5, 1999)*

**Ramesh B. Cherukuri, MD**

*Cardiothoracic Surgery (June 21, 1999)*

**Michael Ingram, MD**

*Psychiatry (June 21, 1999)*

**Harmohan S. Kochar, MD**

*Internal Medicine (February 1, 1999)*

**William H. Lawrence, DO**

*Neurology (August 23, 1999)*

**Shahzad Manawar, MD**

*Pulmonary Disease (April 5, 1999)*

# Looking to the future....

## MISSION

*McLaren Health Care,  
through its subsidiaries,  
will be the best value in  
health care as defined by  
quality outcomes and cost.*

## VISION

*Our goal at McLaren  
Health Care is to deliver  
the right care, at the right  
place, and at the right time.*

