

Milton Waner

Milton Waner graduated from the University of the Witwatersrand Medical School, Johannesburg, South Africa in 1977. He went on to specialize in Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery and completed a research fellowship at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center in 1984/1985. He then took up a faculty position in otolaryngology at Sydney University where he stayed until 1988. In that same year, he returned to the USA and was promoted through the academic ranks in the Department of Otolaryngology/head and neck surgery at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences to become a full professor in 1999. In 2001, an endowed chair was named in his name at Arkansas Children's Hospital. In 2004 he was recruited to join the Department of Otolaryngology at Beth Israel Hospital in New York, where he stayed until 2013. Dr. Waner is currently voluntary attending at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York where he has been since 2013.

Milton Waner has published extensively and is recognized as a world leader in the field of congenital vascular lesions of the head and neck. He has published over 110 papers, 40 textbook chapters, 4 textbooks and has been granted 13 patents. His work has been cited over 8,000 times in the world literature.

Dr. Waner has received many awards and recognition for his work. A chair in pediatric facial plastic surgery was endowed in his name at Arkansas Children's Hospital in 2001. He was awarded the Children's Miracle Network Achievement Award in 2004. In 2008 he was Knighted and became a Knight of the Order Usmiechu. (an international order of Knights and Dames, awarded to individuals who impacts on the lives of children. (Previous recipients include Pope John Paul II, Mother Theresa, Queen Sylvia of Sweden, J K Rowling and Steven Spielberg). He has received numerous other awards including the "Man of the year" by the Needlers Foundation of New York, The Hannah Storm Foundation Award, The Coalition for Asian American Children and Families "Caring for Children" award, to name a few. He was featured in the lead article in The US News and World Report Best Hospitals edition as well as in The New York Magazine Best Doctors in New York edition. In 2017, a tugboat was named Dr. Milton Waner, in honor of his work with children and adults with vascular malformations.

As a world-renowned surgeon, Dr. Waner receives referrals from all around the world. His practice is restricted to the management of congenital vascular lesions of the head and neck and his primary clinical practice is in New York at Lenox Hill Hospital and at The Manhattan Eye Ear and Throat Hospital. He also sees patients 6 times a year in Berlin and performs surgery at the Werner Forssmann Hospital in Eberswalde, Brandenburg. Dr. Waner has been invited as a visiting professor to many medical centers in many countries and he has also performed surgery in many of these centers.