

Biography

Dr. John Muney was born in Istanbul, Turkey. Due to his academic success in secondary school, Dr. Muney was accepted to Cerrahpasa Medical School, University of Istanbul. Upon his graduation from medical school in 1974, Dr. Muney served as a lieutenant doctor in the army for one and a half year before relocating to the United States.

Once settled in New York, Dr. Muney served as an extern from 1976 to 1977 at Brooklyn Cumberland Medical Center. Continuing his work at Brooklyn Cumberland Medical Center, Dr. Muney completed a general surgery internship in 1978, as well as a subsequent four year residency in general surgery and one year fellowship in vascular surgery. After passing his boards in general surgery in 1983, Dr. Muney began his practice as a vascular surgeon in Brooklyn Hospital, while also covering the trauma unit in Woodhall Medical Center for eight years until 1991. Until the end of his surgical practice in 2005, Dr. Muney performed 15,000 surgeries and published an article about transposing the great saphenous vein and creating an AV fistula for patients in their thighs. The dialysis unit in Brooklyn Hospital also received an award in 2006 for having the highest fistula rate in the country, which in part, was due to Dr. Muney's use of fistulas rather than grafts.

During his practice, Dr. Muney joined his colleagues in raising capital to start an HMO, Atlantis Health Plan. Dr. Muney played an instrumental role in securing Atlantis's New York State license in 2000. As Senior Vice President of Medical Services, Dr. Muney cut Atlantis's medical costs by 40 percent and kept the company financially viable without compromising the quality of healthcare that members received.

Through his experience in the medical field, Dr. Muney became dissatisfied with the medical care provided by the healthcare system. He wished to change the way in which the healthcare system operates, and he envisioned a system in which care is directly delivered to patients without surrounding bureaucratic. Dr. Muney believed that such a change is possible through state-of-the-art medical facilities, in which patients receive the attention from doctors and the quality healthcare they deserve by contracting directly with providers. Currently, Dr. Muney has opened five such medical facilities, one in each borough of New York City, which are collectively visited by over 100 patients daily and have a satisfaction rate of 98 percent. Residing as President of Atlantis Medical Group, which comprises all of the facilities, Dr. Muney insists on providing affordable and excellent medical care to the uninsured through an approach that refuses to think within the box.