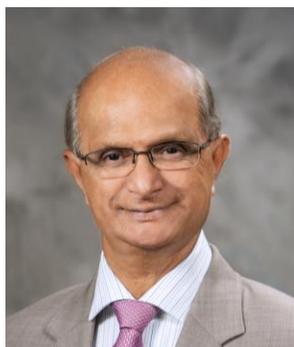


Raghu Sarvepalli, MD FRCS to be Honored at St. Mary's of Michigan Foundation Cornette Ball



St. Mary's of Michigan Foundation is proud to announce Raghu Sarvepalli, MD FRCS as this year's Spirit of St. Vincent Award honoree. Sarvepalli will be honored during the 24th Annual Cornette Ball on Saturday, November 10 at Horizons Conference Center, Saginaw.

With inspiration from Mother Teresa and Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. Sarvepalli has made his life mission to serve all patients, including the poor and vulnerable. His passion for charity started as a young medical student, making and selling candles to raise funds to support the sick children of India. Though years of hard work, dedication and longtime support of friends and colleagues, Dr. Sarvepalli established charities to help India's blind and handicapped children grow and live successfully. HEAL, Health and Education for All, is one of Dr. Sarvepalli's most cherished and beloved charities. His charity is thriving today by educating, providing housing, food, clothing and healthcare to orphaned and handicap children of India, due to the support of many.

"I have three passions: healthcare, charitable work and St. Mary's of Michigan," shared by Dr. Sarvepalli. "The mission to serve the poor and vulnerable is what attracted Bhrama and I to St. Mary's of Michigan and Saginaw in 1997."

Since 1999, Dr. Raghu has served in various hospital executive leadership roles including Vice President of Medical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, as well as founding Medical Director of St. Mary's Physician Hospital Organization. He has led the development, implementation and management of many quality, service and strategic initiatives for the regional health system and formed hundreds of relationships with physicians and providers across the Mid-Michigan region.

Dr. Sarvepalli returned to full-time family medicine practice in April 2018. He, along with his wife, Bhrama Sarvepalli, MD, joined Heritage Family Physicians more than 20 years ago. Dr. Sarvepalli reunited in medical practice with his wife as well as with Brent Boggess, MD; Venkat Maganti, MD; and the Heritage Family Physicians team at the Saginaw office.

Dr. Sarvepalli completed graduate studies and training in orthopedic surgery and family medicine in the United Kingdom. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh. Dr. Sarvepalli completed his residency through Saginaw Cooperative Hospitals and is Board Certified in Family Medicine. He has served as President of the Saginaw County Academy of Family Physicians, Medical Director for HealthPlus and Blue Care Network, received the Governor's Award for Diabetic Management and has been a member of the St. Mary's of Michigan Medical Executive Committee for almost 20 years.

In addition to his exceptional professional and charitable achievements, Dr. Raghu is devoted to his family. United in marriage for 36 years to his wife Dr. Bhrama, both are proud parents of son, Uday. Uday is working and residing in New York City.

Proceeds from the Cornette Ball support the purchase of monitoring systems for St. Mary's of Michigan Neurodiagnostics Program.

The festive evening includes a cocktail hour, magnificent gourmet meal, live music by Detroit's Intrigue, extravagant silent auction and the Spirit of St. Vincent Award presentation. Tickets and sponsorships begin at \$175. For additional details call Tammy Weighman at 989-907-8875 or tamera.weighman@ascension.org