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Education and Training

Education

- Saadi High School, 1959-1965, Abadeh, Iran
- Pre-Med, 1967 Pahlavi University School of Arts and Sciences Shiraz, Iran.
- M.D. 1973 Pahlavi University Medical School in Shiraz, Iran.

Post Graduate Education and Training

- 1972-1973 Nemazee Hospital, Shiraz Iran, Neurosurgical Internship
- 1973-1974 Cook County Hospital, Chicago IL, Surgical Internship
- 1974-1979 Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore MD, Neurosurgical Residency
- 1980-1980 Wellesley Hospital, Toronto Canada, Neurosurgery Fellowship
- 1981-1981 Hamilton General Hospital, Hamilton Canada, Neurosurgery Fellowship
- 1989-1990 University of Nebraska, Lincoln Nebraska, Neurosurgery Fellowship

Certifications

- Diplomate National Board of Medical Examiners, 1977
- Diplomate American Board of Neurosurgery, 1982
- Fellow Royal College Surgeons of Canada, 1983

Medical Licensures

- 1977 Medicine and Surgery, State of Maryland
- 1989 Medicine and Surgery, State of Nebraska

Biosketch

Born in Iran in 1947, I had my education at Ferdowsi Elementary School (1953-59), Saadi High School (1959-1965), Pahlavi University Schools of Arts and Sciences (1965-1967) and Pahlavi University School of Medicine (1967-1973). My neurosurgical internship at the Pahlavi University (1973) was mentored by Kazem Abbassioun (see ref 5), trained by Earl Walker at the Johns Hopkins. I moved to Chicago in 1973 and had one year of straight surgical internship (1973-1974) at the Cook County Hospital of which 6 months was with Roy Selby at the division of neurosurgery affiliated with the University of Illinois College Of Medicine (Chaired by Oscar Sugar). I completed my neurosurgical training under D M Long at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and in July of 1979 moved back to Shiraz to chair the Division of Neurosurgery. During 1982 and 1983 I was certified by the American Board of Neurological Surgery and Royal College of Surgeons of Canada respectively. In 1995 I accepted a full time position at the Division of Neurosurgery, University of Nebraska School of Medicine. In 2000, I was recruited as the Director of Neurotrauma at the University Of Maryland School Of Medicine.

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Traumatic Cervical Spinal Cord Injury, Traumatic Brain Injury

Highlighted Publications

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