

# Hani Jneid, MD, FACC, FAHA, FSCAI

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Dr. Hani Jneid is a nationally recognized physician, educator & researcher whose career has been devoted to advancing heart health & building institutions of excellence in Texas & beyond. He currently serves as Professor & Chair of the Department of Cardiovascular Medicine at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB), Director of the Sealy Heart Institute, & VP for Cardiovascular Operations.

Dr. Jneid's career is marked by clinical innovation & service. He led the first transcatheter heart valve procedure in the VA healthcare system nationally, launched Harris County's first valve program for underserved patients, and as Director of Interventional Cardiology at Baylor/DeBakey VA, he performed high-risk procedures that saved thousands of veterans' lives, earning the Medal of Service in 2016.

As training program director, Dr. Jneid trained scores of cardiology fellows at Baylor, the majority of whom are practicing in Texas as successful cardiologists. His mentorship & leadership in medical education earned him national recognition, including the national American College of Cardiology's Gifted Educator Award (2021).

Dr. Jneid is a renowned academic scholar with 462 publications & over 30,000 citations. His publications include influential scientific articles in premier journals such as the New England Journal of Medicine & JAMA. He has also chaired & authored numerous national American heart Association's practice guidelines and statements.

At UTMB, Dr. Jneid elevated the Division of Cardiology into a full Department and launched the \$30M Sealy Heart Institute, the first clinically integrated institute in UTMB's history. In just three years, he doubled the Department's size, advanced outcomes into the nation's top 12%, expanded training programs, and attracted a new generation of clinical and research talent to Texas.

Beyond medicine, Dr. Jneid lives between Houston & Galveston and is deeply engaged in civic and cultural life. He is a member of the Texas State Historical Association & the Galveston Artillery Club and serves on the board of the Hobby School of Public Affairs at UH. He initiated the first community-based heart health course at Rice University, and he also lectures regularly to the public in Galveston's historic Rosenberg Library.

One page Summary of Dr. Jneid's work & Biography

#### Clinical Excellence & Service

- Pioneered catheter-based valve therapies: member of the first VA team to perform TAVI nationally and led the first valve replacement at Harris County's public hospital, serving underserved populations.
- Directed Interventional Cardiology at the DeBakey VA, performing high-risk heart procedures that saved hundreds of veterans; awarded VA Medal of Service (2016).
- At UTMB, secured a \$30M philanthropic gift to establish SHVI—the first fully integrated cardiovascular institute in UTMB's 130+ year history.
- Under his leadership, UTMB's Cardiovascular Department achieved top 12% national survival outcomes (2025) and was ranked among the nation's best hospitals for Cardiac Care by Newsweek/Statista for two consecutive years.

## **Academic Scholarship & Research**

- International expert in heart attack, CAD, valvular heart disease, & outcomes research; leads multicenter studies and clinical trials influencing global practice.
- Prolific academician with ~472 publications, >30,000 citations, H-index = 55.
- Author and chair of multiple ACC/AHA guidelines & performance measures (heart attack, chest pain, valvular disease) shaping U.S. and global standards.
- Editorial leadership: Associate Editor, JAHA, Current Opinion in Cardiology.
- Site PI for multicenter trials; recipient of major research grants.
- Named Emerging Leader, World Heart Federation (2021).

## **Education & Mentorship**

- · Program Director, Interventional Cardiology Fellowship at Baylor College of Medicine, training
- Mentored dozens of fellows and junior faculty, many now leaders across Texas and nationwide.
- Honored with the ACC National Gifted Educator Award (2021), given annually to one U.S. cardiologist for outstanding national educational impact.

#### **Leadership & Institution Building**

- As inaugural Chair, Dr. Jneid transformed UTMB Cardiology from a division into a thriving department.
- As VP, Dr. Jneid leads cardiovascular strategic growth, recruitment & system integration.
- Established Sealy Heart Vascular Institute a regional / national hub for cardiac care, research & education.

# **Community & Civic Engagement**

- Member, Texas State Historical Association & Galveston Artillery Club.
- Founded 1st community heart health course at Rice Univ & lectures at civic venues (eg Rosenberg Library)
- Active in community outreach (AARP, local associations) promoting cardiovascular prevention.

# **Recognition & Honors**

- National ACC Gifted Educator Award (2021).
- Fulbright & Jaworski Faculty Excellence Awards, Baylor College (2013).
- Rising Star Clinician Award, Baylor College (2014).
- Young Leadership Recognition, Cardiovascular Research Technologies Forum (2010).
- VA Medal of Service (2016).