Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Dr. Stephen Keith

Overview of the Collection

Repository: The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616

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Creator: Keith, Stephen, 1952-

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith,

Dates: August 16, 2019

Bulk Dates: 2019

Physical Description: 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files (3:37:17).

Abstract: Healthcare executive Dr. Stephen Keith (1952-) served in senior management and chief

executive roles for pharmaceutical, technology, and life science companies since 1987. Keith was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on August 16, 2019, in Martha's

Vineyard, Massachusetts. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of

the interview.

Identification: A2019 073

Language: The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Healthcare executive Dr. Stephen Keith was born on July 20, 1952 in Battle Creek, Michigan to Laurel Eugene and Elizabeth Brown Keith. After graduating from the University of Chicago Laboratory High School in 1969, he received his B.A. degree in Black Studies from Amherst College in 1973. Keith went on to earn his M.D. degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1977. He completed his residency in pediatrics with the University of California Los Angeles in 1980, where he also received his M.S. degree in public health in 1982.

From 1982 to 1987, Keith served as an assistant professor in the Departments of Pediatrics at UCLA and the Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science, where he also served as Associate Dean for Student Affairs. He served as a senior health policy advisor for the U.S. Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources under the late Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts from 1987 to 1990. In 1990, Keith was hired by Merck & Co., Inc. where he served in various senior management roles, including in the corporate public affairs and health strategies divisions. Keith was appointed vice president of marketing and sales at the vaccine developer and manufacturer North American Vaccine, Inc. in 1995 until 2000. From 2000 to 2001, he worked as president and chief operating officer of the life science startup, Antex Biologics, Inc. Keith was then hired as general partner with Emerging Technology Partners, LLC in 2002, a position he held until 2003. Keith then joined Glocap Advisors as a managing director and retained this role until 2005. Biologics Consulting Group hired him as a senior consultant in 2005, and he served until 2006. Panacea Pharmaceuticals then hired Keith as president and chief operating officer in 2006. He remained at Panacea until 2009, when he was hired as chief executive officer of the American College of Clinical Pharmacology. Three years later, Keith joined WellStreet Urgent Care in Atlanta, Georgia as a site director and staff physician. While practicing here, he was also hired as the chief executive officer of Optima Health, Inc. Keith remained there, and with WellStreet, until being selected as the chief executive officer of the life sciences company, Vivacelle Bio, in 2015. That same year, he was hired by Evanston Technology Partners to serve as chief business development and medical officer. Keith left Vivacelle Bio in 2017, and became a medical director of medical management and scientific services in the clinical services department of Syneos Health in 2018.

Keith has served on the board of directors for Intradigm Therapeutics, Cytomedix, Inc. (now Nuo Therapeutics), Vivacelle Bio, Evanston Technology Partners, National Medical Fellowships, Inc., and Community Health Charities. He served as a fellow of the Academy of Pediatrics and a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics.

Keith and his wife, Dr. Helene Gayle, reside in Chicago, Illinois. He has three children from previous marriages.

Dr. Stephen Keith was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on August 16, 2019.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Dr. Stephen Keith was conducted by Larry Crowe on August 16, 2019, in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, and was recorded on 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Healthcare executive Dr. Stephen Keith (1952-) served in senior management and chief executive roles for pharmaceutical, technology, and life science companies since 1987.

Restrictions

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Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Keith, Stephen, 1952-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Keith, Stephen, 1952---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Healthcare Executive

HistoryMakers® Category:

MedicalMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_001, TRT: 1:28:16?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_002, TRT: 2:28:16

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_003, TRT: 3:32:48

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_004, TRT: 4:28:20

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_005, TRT: 5:29:00

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_006, TRT: 6:29:14

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_007, TRT: 7:29:55

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Stephen Keith, Section A2019_073_001_008, TRT: 8:11:28