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Dr. Robert M. Carey is Dean, Emeritus, and Professor of Medicine at the University of Virginia School of Medicine. He is a world renowned cardiovascular endocrinologist and hypertension specialist. His research on hormonal control of blood pressure (BP) and hypertension has resulted in over 400 publications.

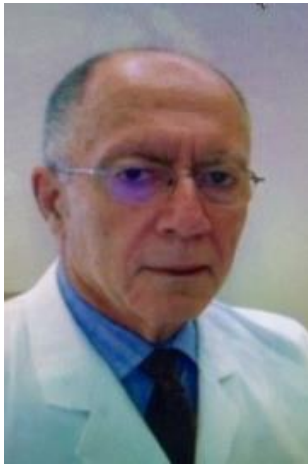
He has received numerous awards, including the American Heart Association (AHA) Lifetime Achievement Award and Excellence Award for Hypertension Research (Novartis Award) and the Thomas Jefferson Award (highest honor of the University of Virginia) for transforming medicine during his 16-year deanship.

Dr. Carey has been President of the AHA (Virginia Affiliate), the Endocrine Society, and the American Clinical and Climatological Association. He has chaired the AHA Hypertension Council, Council Operations Committee and Scientific Publishing Committee, co-chaired the 2017 AHA/American College of Cardiology Hypertension Guideline Writing Committee and chaired the 2018 AHA Scientific Statement on Resistant Hypertension Writing Committee. He is a Master of the American College of Physicians and an elected member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation, the Association of American Physicians and the National Academy of Medicine

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He was a member of the 2004 and the VA champion for the 2014 VA-Department of Defense Hypertension Clinical Practice Guideline committees, and was on the JNC 7 and JNC 8 U.S. hypertension guideline committees. [Read More.](#)

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