

Bio: CHARLES ALLEN, MD, CFI

Charles E. Allen, MD is a retired Air Force Officer, (Major, KC 135 Tanker Pilot, 23 combat flights during the Gulf War), a retired family practice physician and former project director for UW-Milwaukee (UWM) Veterans Upward Bound (VUB). He currently is an associate lecturer of chemistry-biochemistry at UWM and national director of education, training, and mental health for the National Association For Black Veterans (NABVETS), headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Dr. Allen has over 35 years of experience working with veterans. As a physician he did rotations at the Zablocki VA in internal medicine, surgery, and psychiatry. As project director for VUB and national director of education, training, and mental health for NABEVTS, he has been responsible for ensuring veterans and their dependents are provided the resources and training for improving basic skills, assisting in job placements/training, and wellness. Dr. Allen has over 45 years of teaching experience in both secondary and post-secondary institutions. Dr. Allen is a certified flight Instructor (CFI), serving as the chief pilot for New Beginnings Aviation Ministry and training officer for Wisconsin Civil Air Patrol.

A native of Hallandale Beach, Florida, Dr. Allen earned his BS in chemistry/biochemistry from Rocky Mountain College, Billings, MT; his masters in health services administration from Central Michigan University and his medical degree from Maria Dehostos, School of Medicine, Dominican Republic. Dr. Allen is very active on several veteran boards: National Association For Black Veterans (NABVETS), former chair of the National Command Council); board member Center For Veterans Issues (CVI); Milwaukee County Veteran Board of Directors; Allied Veteran Council of Milwaukee; Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW); Department of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, and former member of the Long Term Care Committee for the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs.

Married with six children (2 that are flight surgeons; Charles Jr, Lt. Col 115th Tactical Fighter Wing, Wisconsin: daughter Casandra Howard Brigadier General, Chief Air Surgeon Tennessee Air Guard): son BS in mechanical Engineering: daughter, PHD in nursing education: daughter, MS in communication; and son (retired from 128ARW) MS in Information Technology. Dr. Allen resides in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

