



Dr. Wright Jones, Plastic Surgeon  
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## Bringing Nip and Tuck to Clayton County

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Sitting in his aunt's Hawkinsville kitchen, Wright Jones watched as the bandages were being changed on his favorite cousin's face.

The burns were still healing, and it was determined that she would have to go to an Atlanta hospital for further treatment. The then nine-year-old wondered out loud why they would have to go so far away, and that's when his aunt informed him

that there were no plastic surgeons in their small Georgia town.

"I wasn't sure what plastic surgery was back then, and I was thinking what are they going to do? Put plastic on her face?" he reminisces through laughter. "So over the years every time I heard about plastic surgeons in the media or on television or in a book, it intrigued me and ended up being the career I wanted to pursue. But my cousin's tragedy is what sparked the interest in plastic surgery."

Today, Doctor Wright Jones knows exactly what that entails as he is part of a new generation of professionals that have an urban background, superior training and preparation, and a high level of skills. He brings this skill set to the Lake Spivey Surgical Center and his practice in Buckhead.

Wright went all in from the beginning, only interviewing at the top schools in the United States in order to receive the best training available. "I've always wanted to be not just an average plastic surgeon but one of the best in the country, so I needed to get into a program that could develop me into the type of doctor I wanted to be," he clarifies. To attain this goal, Jones first attended Fort Valley State University, then Meharry Medical College, and the following seven years were spent doing a general surgery residency and research at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas.

He soon realized that the top program for plastic surgery was actually located right in his own backyard at the Emory University School of Medicine, but one discovery in particular made his acceptance even more poignant. "I never knew where my cousin was treated when I was younger. After I got into the Emory plastic surgery program, I found out that when she got burned back in the 1980s it was Emory running the Grady Hospital burn center at the time," Jones recalls. "They were the ones who treated her, and I serendipitously got into that same plastic surgery program." This revelation confirmed the decision to become a plastic surgeon was the right one for Wright. After seventeen consecutive years studying, training, and honing his craft, the recent Emory graduate chose to bring his practice to Clayton County deciding that "there's a big need here for a high end rhinoplastic surgeon, and I felt that I would be a good fit."

While specifically training with several surgeons to the stars for noses in Beverly Hills, Jones developed an interest in rhinoplasty (nose). "Ethnic (African American, Asian, Indian, and Jewish) noses are a little more difficult than the typical Caucasian nose," he divulges. "In addition to a propensity for scarring, there are structural differences that

make sculpting ethnic noses more challenging."

While the Doctor specializes in rhinoplasty, his areas of interest include body contouring, which include abdominoplasty (tummy tuck), breast surgery, and gluteal augmentation (Brazilian butt lift). Wright also trained under Constantino Mendieta, the top gluteal augmentation specialist in the United States. "Because of my contacts at Emory, I was able to get into very exclusive places for training that a lot of people did not have access to," he adds. "Most importantly, I also had outstanding mentors at Emory."

Well trained and ready for action, Dr. Jones is currently living his dream and is grateful for the opportunity to give back. "My family members and I have been patients at some of the local hospitals that I am working with. To move away for years and return as a plastic surgeon is a true testament of God's grace in

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my life. It's been a great journey, and I give all the credit to Him."