

**Dror Paley, MD, FRCSC** is the CEO, Founder, and Medical Director of the Paley Orthopedic and Spine Institute in West Palm Beach, Florida, from 2009 to present, and the Founder of the Paley European Institute in Warsaw, Poland, 2018, Paley Middle East Clinic, Abu Dhabi, UAE 2023 and Instituto Paley Latino America 2024 in Medellin, Colombia. The Paley Institute is the world's largest medical tourism center, treating patients from 110 countries and all 50 states. He speaks, lectures and reads and writes in 6 languages. He was the Founder and Director of the Rubin Institute for Advanced Orthopedics, Baltimore, 2001-2009, and Professor & Chief of Pediatric Orthopedics at the University of Maryland, 1987-2001, and Associate Staff at Hospital of Sick Children, Toronto, Canada, 1987.



He did three years of subspecialty fellowship training in Pediatric Orthopedics, Hand Surgery, Trauma Surgery, and Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction Surgery, 1985-87. He completed his orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Toronto 1980-1985 and his internship at Johns Hopkins 1979-80. He received his medical degree from the University of Toronto Medical School, Toronto, Canada, in 1979. He was Professor of Orthopedics at University of Maryland 1987-2001. He was adjunct Professor of Orthopedic Surgery and consultant at the Hospital for Sick Children, University of Toronto, from 2010-2014. He currently holds academic appointments as a Professor of Orthopedics at the University of Vermont and at Florida Atlantic University. He sits on the Board of Governors of St. Mary's Medical Center. He has performed 25,000+ surgeries. He runs the Paley and unLIMBited Foundations and does mission trips around the world.

Dr. Paley is internationally recognized for his expertise in limb lengthening and reconstruction. He trained under the guidance of Prof. Gavril Ilizarov during multiple visits to Kurgan, Soviet Union. Dr. Paley introduced the Ilizarov method to the US and Canada in 1987 and subsequently was instrumental in the introduction and dissemination of the Ilizarov method in Northern Europe, South America, across Asia, Australia and New Zealand and parts of Africa. He was the Founder and first president of the Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction Society in 1989 and of the International Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction Society in 2015. He is the recipient of numerous awards, including Gubernatorial Citation 1990, Pauwel's Medal in Clinical Biomechanics 1997, Best paper/poster award by SICOT, AAOS, POSNA, AORS; best illustrated medical textbook 2003; Health Professional of the Year 2011, Health Hero of the Year 2013, Florida Most Influential Business Leader 2019, 20, 21, 22, 23 and was named a Living Legend and most influential business leader in Palm Beach by the Palm Beach Illustrated. **He served as the Orthopedic Surgeon to the White House from 2017 to 2021 and was reappointed again in 2025.** He has published 193 peer-reviewed articles, 73 book chapters, 50 video productions and 9 books; most notably: Congenital Femoral Deficiency 2023, and Principles of Deformity Correction, Springer (2002, 2005). The CORA method of deformity analysis in this text has become the gold standard for deformity planning in orthopedics. Dr. Paley developed over 100 surgical procedures including: SUPERhip, SUPERknee, SUPERankle, SHORDT, Paley-Weber patelloplasty, ulnarization, Paley Rotationplasty, modified Judet quadricepsplasty, Paley Cross Union for CPT, MHE forearm interosseous correction, four-segment achondroplasia lengthening, and many others. He had had an interest in Perthes disease since 1989 when he first developed the method of articulated hip distraction for Perthes. He has also developed a method to reshape the femoral head using Femoral Head Reduction Osteotomy. He developed the Multiplier method of predicting leg length discrepancy and timing of epiphysiodesis, now available using the Android and iOS app Paley Growth Multiplier App.

He lives with his wife Jennifer and has four grown children, Benjamin, Jonathan, Aviva, and Daelan; three grandchildren, Dalia, Jack and Lev. His hobbies include reading history, skiing, road and mountain biking, rock climbing, and scuba diving.