Dr. Jack C. Hughston

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Known as the “Father of Sports Medicine”...Opened the Hughston Sports Medicine Hospital in 1984 – the first of its kind in the nation...One of the first physicians to attend to athletes on high school (1952) and college football sidelines...Orthopedic consultant for Auburn University from 1952-1994... Presided over the first sports medicine conference in Georgia (1960)...Invented the protective mouthpiece that was made mandatory for high school football players across the nation in 1962...Founder of the American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine and the American Journal of Sports Medicine...Founding member of the National Athletic Trainers Association (1956)... Chairman of Sports Medicine for the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons from 1965-1975...Named 1976 “Mr. Sports Medicine” by the American Orthopedic Society...In 1996, named to Georgia Trend magazine’s 100 Most Powerful and Influential Georgians list.