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## BIOGRAPHY

**DR. PHIL MCGRAW**  
HOST & EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

Dr. Phil McGraw, one of the most well-known and trusted mental health professionals in the world, is the host of TV's #1 daytime talk show, **DR. PHIL**. Now in its 18<sup>th</sup> season, this trailblazing and award-winning show continues to provide the most comprehensive forum on mental health issues in the history of television. Dr. McGraw has a unique ability to take complicated and technical information and make it accessible and understandable to the general public. Using the medium of television, Dr. McGraw presents compelling stories about real people with a variety of emotional and behavioral problems, stripping away the shame and embarrassment that too often keeps people from seeking help. Dr. McGraw continues to value his academic training and professional qualifications, and insists that the information provided on his show is based on evidence-based treatment options and state-of-the-art research in the fields of psychology, psychiatry and medicine. Since its inception, the show has provided over \$35 million in aftercare services for its guests. Dr. McGraw recently signed a multiyear deal with CBS Television Distribution to continue his eponymous show through 2023.

**DR. PHIL** has been the top-rated daytime talk show for the last seven years. It has received 29 Emmy® nominations and won five PRISM Awards for the accurate depiction of drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse and addiction, as well as a MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers) Media Award. In 2015, he was inducted into the Broadcasting & Cable Hall of Fame, an honor bestowed on the pioneers, visionaries and stars of the electronic arts.

Before blazing his television career, Dr. McGraw founded Courtroom Sciences, Inc., (CSI), a groundbreaking trial science firm specializing in all aspects of litigation support, providing multi-disciplinary expertise in all areas of litigation and forensic arenas. Dr. McGraw worked side by side with top lawyers from around the world in the most high profile cases. His work at CSI inspired the hit CBS series, **BULL**, starring Michael Weatherly, where Dr. McGraw serves as co-creator, executive producer and writer on the show that is based on his life. **BULL**, now in season four, is one of the top-rated dramas at CBS. In addition, Dr. McGraw won an Emmy Award as executive producer of the hit talk show, **THE DOCTORS**, which is currently in its 12<sup>th</sup> season. In 2018, Dr. McGraw scored another Emmy as executive producer, when the daily syndicated newsmagazine, **DAILYMAILTV**, (currently in season three) won Outstanding Entertainment News Program. His podcast, **PHIL IN THE BLANKS** – with all-new, original interviews – debuted in January 2019 and quickly rose to the #1 podcast on Apple iTunes. In spring 2019, McGraw launched a second podcast – a true crime series – **MYSTERY AND MURDER: ANALYSIS BY DR. PHIL**, which debuted at #1.

Dr. McGraw is the author of nine #1 *New York Times* bestsellers, published in 39 languages with more than 33 million copies in print. He is extremely entrepreneurial, working closely with his oldest son Jay, they have created a revolutionary telemedicine system to deliver medical and

psychiatric care via smart phone or computer. "Doctor on Demand" (DOD) has taken the telemedicine industry by storm and was voted the most innovative and disruptive new technology at the 2015 Consumer Electronics Show.

Dr. McGraw has devoted his platform to the delivery of sound, evidence-based mental health advice for the last 17 years, and has continually strived to make psychology accessible and understandable to the public using the medium of television. In 2006, Dr. McGraw was honored with a Presidential Citation by the American Psychological Association for his significant contributions to the field of psychology. The citation read in part, "your work has touched more Americans than any other living psychologist."

Dr. McGraw and his wife, Robin, are well-known for their tireless advocacy for children and families. In 2003, Dr. McGraw established the Dr. Phil Foundation, a nonprofit charitable organization funding many worthy projects benefitting disadvantaged children and families. He and his wife have also supported many charitable organizations including the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) by devoting countless hours to CASA's recruitment project, and generating an increase of \$100 million of volunteer services in just one year. Today, the organization is now known as When Georgia Smiled: The Robin McGraw Revelation and Dr. Phil Foundation.

Dr. McGraw is frequently invited to testify as a content expert on Capitol Hill before Congress on high-profile topics, including the overmedication of children in the foster care system, the growing epidemic of type 2 diabetes, cyberbullying, opioid addiction, and domestic violence. Dr. McGraw is also regularly called upon for his expert opinion on current events by major national and international news outlets as well.

Dr. McGraw earned a Doctoral degree in clinical psychology from the University of North Texas, followed by a post-doctoral fellowship in forensic psychology from the Wilmington Institute. Dr. McGraw was a licensed psychologist in the state of Texas where he practiced clinical psychology and developed one of the country's first multi-modal protocols for the treatment of chronic pain.

An avid tennis player, golfer and scuba diver, Dr. McGraw lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Robin. The couple, married 43 years in August 2019, are totally devoted to their family, including sons Jay and Jordan, and Jay's wife, Erica. They are the ridiculously proud grandparents of Avery Elizabeth and London Phillip.

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**DR. PHIL MCGRAW**



**CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY / CIVIC-ORIENTED PARTICIPATION**

Dr. Phil McGraw has significantly impacted Hollywood's economy and community in the following ways:

**TELEVISION PRODUCTION**

- As the owner of his #1-rated talk show, "**DR. PHIL**," Dr. McGraw has created employment for a staff of nearly 300 at Paramount Studios including: producers, writers, researchers, segment directors, editors and crew.
- **DR. PHIL** has already taped nearly **3,000** episodes over **17** seasons and has welcomed over **850 thousand audience members** to the studio lot.
- To date, the show has provided over \$30 million dollars in aftercare services to guests, a figure unmatched by any other program of its kind.
- CBS Television Distribution has renewed "**DR. PHIL**" through **2023**, thereby continuing to employ hundreds of people and bring even more guests and audiences from all over the world to Hollywood for the next four years profoundly impacting our economy.
- Dr. McGraw is also the executive producer of **THE DOCTORS**, a show that employs nearly 200 staff members and is currently in season 11.
- Dr. McGraw, along with Steven Spielberg and his son Jay, serves as executive producer of the hit series **BULL** on CBS-TV. The one-hour drama series stars Michael Weatherly as Dr. Jason Bull in a drama inspired by the early career of Dr. McGraw as the founder of one of the most prolific trial science firms of all time. The top-rated show is currently in season three. Dr. McGraw co-created and co-wrote the script with Paul Attanasio.
- Dr. McGraw is executive producer of the syndicated daily entertainment-news program, **DAILYMAIL TV**. The show, hosted by Jesse Palmer, airs on Tribune, Sinclair and Gray television stations across the country. The show is currently in season two, has been renewed for season three and has also been nominated for Outstanding Entertainment News Program for the Daytime Emmy's in its first two years.

- Dr. McGraw is also the executive producer of the syndicated daily talk show, **FACE THE TRUTH**, hosted by Vivica A. Fox, currently in season one.

## IMPACTFUL PHILANTHROPIC ENDEAVORS

- One of Dr. McGraw's enormous contributions to society has been educating millions of television viewers on important mental health issues and demystifying the shame and embarrassment of seeking mental health therapy. In recognition of that contribution he has been awarded the Presidential Citation by The American Psychological Association.
- Dr. McGraw has spent countless hours advocating for and supporting law enforcement, and specifically with the FBI, LAPD and the City of Los Angeles, focusing on important issues, such as the homeless population on Skid Row. He has created the show's "**Behind the Badge**" initiative to shine a light on the extraordinary police officers and departments throughout the country who are not only putting their lives on the line every day to keep us safe, but are also going above and beyond to make their communities better. He was honored with the *Twice The Citizen Award* from the Los Angeles Police Department Reserves Foundation earlier this year.
- In 2003, Dr. McGraw established **The Dr. Phil Foundation**, a nonprofit charitable organization benefiting disadvantaged children and families.
- In 2013, Dr. McGraw and his wife Robin launched *When Georgia Smiled*, a charitable foundation that enacts change by creating and advancing programs that help victims of domestic violence and sexual assault live healthy, safe and joy-filled lives. Together, **When Georgia Smiled: The Robin McGraw Revelation Foundation and The Dr. Phil Foundation** work tirelessly as advocates for children, families, victims of domestic violence and others.
- In recognition of their strong commitment to the wellbeing of children and families, Dr. Phil and his wife Robin received the prestigious 2007 Big Heart Award from the Westside Children's Center.
- In addition to direct gifts provided to those in need, the McGraws have supported many charitable organizations, including the **Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)**. The McGraws devoted countless hours to CASA's recruitment project, generating an increase of \$100 million of volunteer services in just one year.
- In 2014, the McGraws developed a new domestic violence prevention education curriculum, *The Aspire Initiative*, which includes a potentially-lifesaving smartphone app, as part of their "End the Silence on Domestic Violence" campaign. The curriculum is available free of charge in both English and Spanish, to schools, youth groups, and other organizations that influence relationship conduct in age groups ranging from children and teens to adults. The app was recognized as one of the two new tools to have had the most profound impact in the fight against domestic violence.
- **The Dr. Phil Foundation** partners regularly with **Feeding America** to help combat hunger in the U.S. Aided by the generosity of viewers, the Dr. Phil Foundation has donated funds to provide nearly one million meals to hungry Americans, primarily school aged children.
- Dr. McGraw frequently supports disaster relief and has volunteered in post-Katrina New Orleans and in earthquake-ravaged Haiti with humanitarian missions delivering tons and tons of life saving food and supplies to the hardest hit areas.
- Dr. McGraw is a long-time member of the Celebrity Board of Advisors for the American Red Cross as a **Celebrity Ambassador**.
- **Invited Guest Speaker** – United States Congress on Capitol Hill, Washington DC in 2016 & 2018.

## **INCREASED HEALTHCARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS**

- An innovator in health care in broadcasting and digital platforms, Dr. McGraw in concert with his son Jay have been disruptive in health care delivery via breakthroughs in the field of telemedicine, through creation, development and proliferation of the popular app, **Doctor on Demand**.
- Doctor On Demand provides video visits with board-certified physicians, psychiatrists, doctorate-level psychologists, and lactation consultants via smartphones, tablets, and computers. Through strategic partnerships with insurers and employers, **tens of millions of Americans have in-network or subsidized access to Doctor on Demand**. Recently, the company signed its 400<sup>th</sup> national employer customer, bringing the total number of Americans covered by the services by their employers of health plans to more than 45 million lives.

## **NOMINEE'S QUALIFICATIONS**

Awards and nominations for Dr. Phil McGraw and **DR. PHIL** include:

- **Inducted into the Broadcasting & Cable Hall of Fame in October 2015.** The coveted Hall of Fame honor recognizes pioneers, visionaries and stars of the electronic arts that have changed the paradigm within their respective field.
- **Nominated, Daytime Emmys, *Outstanding Talk Show/Informative*, DR. PHIL**  
2014, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008,
- **Nominated, Daytime Emmys, *Outstanding Talk Show*, DR. PHIL**  
2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003
- **Nominated, Daytime Emmy Awards, *Outstanding Talk Show Host***  
2007, 2005, 2004, 2003
- **Nominated, Daytime Emmy Awards, *Outstanding Entertainment News Program*,  
DAILYMAIL TV**  
2018, 2019
- **Nominated, Daytime Emmys, *Outstanding Talk Show / Informative*, THE DOCTORS  
(Executive Producer)**  
2016, 2013, 2012, 2011, **Won in 2010**, 2009
- **Nominated, People's Choice Awards, *Favorite Daytime Talk Show Host***  
2014, 2005
- **Nominated, PRISM Awards, Talk Show Episode, DR. PHIL**  
2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, **Won in 2011**, **Won in 2010**, **Won in 2009**, 2008, **Won in 2007**, 2006,  
**Won in 2005**, 2004
- **Nominated, PRISM Awards, Talk Show Episode, THE DOCTORS (Executive Producer)**  
2015, **Won in 2014**, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009
- **Nominated, GLAAD Media Award, *Outstanding Talk Show Episode*, DR. PHIL – "*Fighting for my Children*,"**  
2006