The John D. Bower School of Population Health has been established with a lead gift from The Bower Foundation, and is named in honor of Dr. Bower. A nephrologist, Dr. Bower committed his career to establishing accessible, high-quality kidney care services in Mississippi. The Bower Foundation continues his mission by collaborating with select organizations and state agencies to improve health in Mississippi.

The Bower Foundation has supported the work of UMMC for decades, and recognizes that UMMC is an important state asset and a change agent for health improvement and economic development. The John D. Bower School of Population Health will provide UMMC with new thinking and leading-edge resources to help transform health outcomes for Mississippians.
Slated to open in August 2017, the John D. Bower School of Population Health at the University of Mississippi Medical Center is the third school of its kind in the United States. The school will train leaders to identify factors affecting the health of populations and to address those factors at the health system and policy level.

The school includes three departments:

**Population Health Science**
Exploring the population-level determinants of health; and understanding the organization and financing of the U.S. healthcare system

**Data Science**
Gathering, organizing and interpreting biomedical and population health data and statistics

**Preventive Medicine**
Promoting wellness and healthy living to prevent disease and disability

Together, these three departments will examine the broader picture of health, beyond the individual, to discover ways to reduce risks for disease and provide value-based and patient- and family-oriented care.

*Population health* uses data science, behavioral health science and wellness initiatives to enhance the health of communities and improve the quality, cost and efficiency of healthcare delivery.

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