

*“All people deserve an opportunity to have good health—physical, emotional, financial and spiritual such that they may realize their highest human potential. Those facets are inextricably bound to each other balancing on the principles of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness” J. Allen Zow, Sr.*

### ***J. Allen Zow, Sr. - Founder & Chief Executive Servant***

J. Allen Zow, Sr. conceived the idea of HEAL (Health Empowerment Access Links) Global, Inc. in December 1999 and beta launched in July 2008. HEAL Global (HG) is a company whose mission is to link people to information, services and products that lead to a lifestyle of wellness. HG's goal is to serve and encourage people by facilitating their wellness through innovative, preventive and proactive strategies.

Allen founded HG to fulfill his vision to provide solutions to improve global health and wellness as a social entrepreneur, innovator and public servant. He is a pragmatic visionary who seeks to achieve large scale, systemic, sustainable social change through innovation and the application of known technologies and strategies.

Prior to launching HEAL Global, Allen was a former senior administrator and tenured professor at Savannah State University (SSU). Allen relinquished his tenured status to fully commit his efforts and passion to HG. During his years in academia, he built a stellar record of community service and conducted research which resulted in the establishment of the first-ever privately funded Center of its kind in the nation - the African-American Health Information & Resource Center, a community initiative funded by St. Joseph's/Candler Health System (<http://www.sjchs.org/body.cfm?id=399>) (Savannah, GA), designated a national model by former U.S. Surgeon General David Satcher. Allen was selected as one of four ***“Innovator Role Models”*** nationally for his efforts in eliminating healthcare disparities.

Allen initiated a strategic partnership between Yale University's School of Medicine, St. Joseph's/Candler Health System and SSU, entitled “Operation Beating Heart,” to address sudden death in athletes through telemedicine applications. He was selected as an ***“E-Health & Technology Pacesetter”*** and ***“Health Care Hero”*** in the ***“Innovation”*** category, by the National Library of Medicine and the Georgia Medical Society, respectively. The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia nominated him for an ***Excellence in Public Service Award*** sponsored by *Georgia Trend Magazine* & The Carl Vinson Institute of Government of the University of Georgia. He also served as former chairman of the State of Georgia's Office of Minority Health Advisory Council.

Allen holds a B.A. from Bethune-Cookman University (cum laude) and a J.D. from the University of Florida College of Law.