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**Brigham and Women’s Hospital**

Brigham and Women’s Hospital, a teaching affiliate of Harvard Medical School, was founded as the merger of 4 hospitals in Boston (top). The Boston Lying-in Hospital was dedicated in 1832 to women unable to afford in-home medical care. The Free Hospital for Women was founded in 1875 “for women affected with diseases peculiar to their sex or in need of surgical aid”. Peter Bent Brigham Hospital was founded in 1932 “for the care of sick persons in indigent circumstances”, and the Robert B. Brigham Hospital for Incurables was dedicated in 1914 to serve patients with arthritis and other debilitating joint diseases. Between 1966 and 1975 these hospitals merged to form the Affiliated Hospitals Center, which was renamed Brigham and Women’s Hospital in 1980.

The bottom picture depicts the staff of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital on April 30, 1913. Sir William Osler is seated in the center of the second row. On his left is Henry A. Christian, the first physician-in-chief, and on his right are the prominent surgeons John Collins Warren and Harvey Cushing.

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