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2. Who is the doctor that Daniel Hale Williams became an apprentice for?

3. Which American college did he study at?

4. In what year did he perform the first open-heart surgery?

5. Which organisation did he co-found, which is still running today?

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Shoemaker and barber
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Henry Palmer
3. Which American college did he study at?
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1893
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The National Medical Association
6. What is the name of the hospital he created as a training school for nurses and was the first hospital with both black and white staff in America?
Provident Hospital and Training School
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Antibiotics (penicillin), reliable anaesthetics, reliable antiseptics, blood transfusions, being able to stop the heart
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