

***RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)
invites you to attend its meeting, on Wednesday, June 26, 2013.
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Pl., Greenwich.***

DR. SPIKE LIPSCHUTZ

A PHYSICIAN'S PERSPECTIVE: MY LIFE IN MEDICINE



One hundred years ago, little of medicine and health care was based on science; public health measures were primitive and medical schools were largely unregulated. The past 50 years have witnessed penicillin and insulin, breakthroughs in the diagnosis and treatment of formerly terminal diseases, three-dimensional imaging, and gene mapping and molecular biology, as medicine stands on frontiers previously unimaginable. The business of medicine has also evolved: Medicare and Medicaid, health insurance and increasing copays and deductibles, and now Obamacare. But always, the needs of the patient remain primary.

Dr. Lipschutz is Vice President of Medical Services and Chief Quality Officer at Greenwich Hospital. Working in partnership with Yale New Haven Health System's Quality Council and Greenwich Hospital's medical staff, he provides leadership in the development and measurement of the Hospital's approach to clinical quality, performance improvement and patient safety. He will share his experiences, reflections and perspectives of 45 years in medicine, the current state of hospital care generally, and Greenwich Hospital's continued journey to patient safety. He will provide us with an eyewitness perspective of the advancement of healthcare over the last century, the evolution of medical treatment, the management of hospitals, the impact on patient care, and the legal and regulatory climate. He will offer insights on what we are likely to see in coming years in the delivery of medical services, and the direction of future medical research.

Dr. Lipschutz received his M.D. in 1968 from the University of Pennsylvania. Board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine, he served in the U.S. Army at the Walter Reed Army Hospital and Valley Forge General Hospital. Dr. Lipschutz then practiced internal medicine for 25 years at Good Samaritan Medical Center & Brockton Hospital in Massachusetts, served as physician director of the Beth Israel Deaconess Physician Organization and Medical Director of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care) in Boston; then Senior VP of Medical Affairs at South Shore Hospital (Massachusetts), prior to coming to Greenwich Hospital in 2007.

RMA meetings are free and open to the public; no reservations are required. Please plan to arrive around 10:30 for our social break (coffee and cake), followed by our speaker at 10:45. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich. For additional information, call Bernard Schneider, 203-698-2558; bgsesq@gmail.com.