



## About the Author

### **Bernard Mansheim MD**

Prior to enrolling in medical school, Bernard Mansheim received a B. A. in English Literature. After he completed medical school and post-graduate training, he began his career with academic appointments at Harvard Medical School and the University of Florida College of Medicine as an Infectious Disease Specialist. He left academic medicine for private practice, and then became Chief

Medical Officer of a national health insurance company for the last ten years of his career.

He has lectured extensively on various topics, including medical ethics and managed health care, and has served as an expert witness in medical malpractice cases. He received awards from the Florida Medical Association and the Florida Hospital Association for a monthly newspaper column he wrote for a few years.

After his thirty-five-year career, he became a health care consultant, has been a member of several non-profit boards, and continues to volunteer weekly as a physician at a free medical clinic.

His outside interests have included marathon running, golf and other sports, travel, and writing novels. He lives with his wife in Charleston, South Carolina and Santa Fe, New Mexico.