

JACOB DIMANT MD

Dr. Jacob Dimant is a geriatrician who spent a life time caring for older patients and working in research and development of health services for the elderly in New York and nationally. Dr. Dimant graduated from the Hebrew University - Hadassah School of Medicine in Israel and completed a residency in medicine at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY, a fellowship in rheumatology at SUNY-Downstate Medical Center and post-graduate training courses in health care management and geriatrics. During his professional career, Dr. Dimant served as director of rheumatology and associate director of medical education at Maimonides Medical Center and practiced internal medicine, rheumatology and geriatric and long-term care medicine in New York City. He has been a medical director in skilled nursing facilities in New York City since 1977, where he was instrumental in developing a range dementia, subacute and rehabilitation services. He presently serves as chief of geriatrics at Lutheran Medical Center, Medical Director of the Lutheran Augustana Center for Extended care and Rehabilitation and Assistant Professor of Medicine at SUNY - Health Sciences Center in Brooklyn. Dr. Dimant is board-certified in internal medicine, rheumatology and geriatric medicine, was recently re-certified in geriatric medicine, and holds certifications in quality assurance, medical direction, assisted living administration and end-of-life care.

Dr. Dimant has served in various management positions in nursing facilities and as a consultant on operational, medical, legal and quality control issues to nursing homes, home-care agencies and law firms. He has published over 80 professional articles, books and book chapter in the medical literature and has lectured locally and nationally in the fields of rheumatology, long-term care medicine and quality management. Dr Dimant has been the recipient, as Principal Investigator, of several New York State Department of Health grants for the research and development, in conjunction with the New York City Alzheimer's Association, of innovative dementia programs and practices in nursing facilities. He participated in the development of training programs for long-term care physicians and medical directors in New York and nationally. Dr. Dimant is a member of the Editorial Boards of the *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association* and *Caring for the Elderly* and a past President of the New York Medical Directors Association and the American Medical Directors Association. He served on or chaired numerous professional advisory boards, committees, editorial boards and task forces with the American Medical Directors Association, the New York State Health Facilities Association, the New York State Department of Health and the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).