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Brian Livesley MD FRCP has worked whole-time for the National Health Service since qualifying in Leeds in 1960. After several years wide experience in general medicine he became the Harvey Research Fellow at King's College Hospital where he devised and established new laboratory and clinical techniques for the study of ischaemic heart disease. In 1973, as consultant geriatrician, he introduced then new clinical audit procedures to raise the standard of care of elderly people in hospital and in the community. In 1988, he became the University of London's Professor in the Care of the Elderly based at Chelsea & Westminster Hospital, London, where he developed a 'leading edge' service for elderly people later reported by the King's Fund and copied internationally. His dualaccredited specialist registrar training programme became the national norm. During almost 50 years he has had clinical as well as personal experience of the care of the dying and dealing with the needs and expectations of their families and friends. He founded one of the first palliative care services for non-cancer patients. In 2003 he was appointed Emeritus Professor in the Care of the Elderly at Imperial College, London University. Since 2001 he has worked by invitation as a consultant forensic physician with National Police Constabularies and Coroners' Offices. He is a gualified medical historian and was Master of the Society of Apothecaries in 2005-2006.



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