



# Neal F. Kassell, MD

Neal F. Kassell, MD is the founder and chairman of the Focused Ultrasound Foundation.

He was a Professor of Neurosurgery at the University of Virginia from 1984 until 2016 and was the Co-Chairman of the department until 2006. Before moving to Charlottesville in 1984, Dr. Kassell was on the faculty at the University of Iowa for seven years. He received both his undergraduate and medical education at the University of Pennsylvania and completed his MD in 1972. After internship and two years of neurology and neurosurgery residency in Philadelphia, Dr. Kassell completed his neurosurgical training with Dr. Charles Drake at the University of Western Ontario in 1977.

In April 2016, Dr. Kassell was appointed by Vice President Joe Biden to the National Cancer Institute's Blue Ribbon Panel for Cancer Moonshot Initiative. Dr. Kassell has served on many standing and ad hoc committees of the National Institutes of Health and in an editorial capacity for a variety of academic journals. He has contributed more than 500 publications and book chapters to the literature. Dr. Kassell is a member of numerous medical societies in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Kassell was a founder of Interax, Inc., the Virginia Neurological Institute, Multimedia Medical Systems, Inc., the Neuroclinical Trials Center, the NeuroVenture Fund, MedSpecialists.net, and the Focused Ultrasound Foundation. He has served on a number of public and private sector boards, including Eclypsis Corporation, INC Research, the Prostate Cancer Foundation, Virginia National Bank, INSIGHTEC, Inc., The Lagesse Foundation, and Expedition Trust Company and currently serves as a director of the Charlottesville Tuesday Evening Concert Series. He is a shareholder of INSIGHTEC, Inc.