

## **James M. Ellison, M.D., M.P.H.**

James M. Ellison, M.D., M.P.H., received his medical degree from the University of California School of Medicine in 1978 and his master's degree in public health from the Harvard School of Public Health in 1993. He did his psychiatry residency training at Massachusetts General Hospital, where he served as chief resident in emergency psychiatry during his final year.

Dr. Ellison has subsequently pursued an academic, clinical, and administrative career, serving as chief of a psychiatric emergency service at New England Medical Center, developing a psychopharmacology service at The Cambridge Hospital, and providing medical directorship at a for-profit mental health/substance abuse hospital. He served as chief of an HMO mental health service at Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates, Burlington Practice, and as chief of psychiatry at Boston Regional Medical Center, a community hospital.

Dr. Ellison is currently the clinical director for the geriatric psychiatry service at McLean Hospital, Belmont, Massachusetts, where he is also director of the hospital's memory disorder clinic. His clinical work at McLean focuses on mood disorders and cognitive impairment.

While maintaining an active private and consulting practice, Dr. Ellison's research interests focus on late-life depression and mild cognitive impairment.

Dr. Ellison teaches psychiatric trainees within the Harvard Medical School system, where he is an associate professor of psychiatry. He is a reviewer for several journals; has published in the areas of emergency psychiatry, clinical psychopharmacology, and geriatric psychiatry; and has edited six books on mental health topics. His most recent book is *Depression in Later Life*, published in 2003. He is board-certified in adult psychiatry with added qualifications in geriatric psychiatry.