Stanley M. Aronson, MD, Dean of Medicine Emeritus at Brown University, was the medical school’s founding dean from 1970 to 1981. During his distinguished career in neuropathology, education and research, he published extensively in medical journals and textbooks. Dr. Aronson is a medical historian and writes commentaries for the Providence Journal and Medicine and Health Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Medical Society’s journal, where he was editor-in-chief for a decade. His previous anthologies include Tapestry of Medicine; Worms, Germs and Wayward Physicians and Perilous Encounters.

Joseph H. Friedman, MD, is the current editor-in-chief of Medicine and Health Rhode Island. He is also the author of Making the Connection Between Brain and Behavior: Coping with Parkinson’s Disease and Primary Care Neurology. Dr. Friedman has also published papers, abstracts and book chapters on movement disorders. A neurologist and recognized expert in Parkinson’s disease, he is chief of Butler Hospital’s Movement Disorders Program; he also leads the Movement Disorders division within the Department of Neurology at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University.

Mary E. Korr is a journalist whose work has been recognized by the Associated Press, the New England Press Association and the Metcalf Diversity in Media awards. The editor of Perilous Encounters by Stanley M. Aronson, MD, she has worked as editor and reporter for newspapers in New York City, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Her articles and essays have appeared in diverse university magazines and in Americans’ Favorite Poems, edited by U.S. poet laureate Robert Pinsky. She is also a children’s book author.