



## **Philip C. Spinella, MD, FCCM, KPHS Class of 1987**

After graduation, Philip Spinella wasted no time; he earned his bachelor's degree from Tufts University in 1991 and a medical degree from New York Medical College in 1995. He completed his internship and residency at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu in 1998 before serving as a general pediatrician in Fort Polk, LA for 2 years. Dr. Spinella then completed a pediatric critical care fellowship at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in 2003. In 2004 he was deployed to Iraq, where he was awarded the Bronze Star and Combat Medic Badge for providing care under fire. His research into Damage Control Resuscitation earned him the Best Army Invention Award in 2009.

His academic positions, University and Hospital appointments and committees, honors, awards, Editorial responsibilities, professional societies and organizations, professorships, lectureships, consultancies and Board memberships, governmental and non-governmental research support, clinical titles and responsibilities, teaching titles and bibliography fill nearly 20 pages, single spaced.

Dr. Spinella is grateful for the mentorship he received as a student in the Kings Park school system, where his teachers encouraged his inquisitive nature and cultivated his passion for science, and his coaches instilled in him the determination, confidence, and discipline needed to succeed. Dr. Spinella credits his success as a scientist -- first as a physician in the Army and now as a Professor of Pediatrics at Washington University in St Louis—as a result of the support and encouragement he received from his family, and the guidance and perseverance instilled in him as a student in KPHS.

Dr. Spinella, a native New Yorker from Brooklyn, lives in St. Louis with his wife Patty and two children, Angela and Vincent.