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**GREENWICH BASED ORTHOPAEDIC FOUNDATION FOR ACTIVE LIFESTYLES
CHAIRMAN KEVIN PLANCHER, M.D.
SELECTED IN 2008 "BEST DOCTORS" ISSUE OF NEW YORK MAGAZINE**

Kevin Plancher, M.D., Chairman of the Orthopaedic Foundation for Active Lifestyles in Greenwich and a leading Connecticut Orthopaedic Surgeon and Sports Medicine Specialist has been named in New York Magazine's 2008 list of "Best Doctors." Dr. Plancher was selected among more than 50,000 practicing physicians in the Tri-State Metropolitan area. He was among 13,000 physicians chosen from the five boroughs that make up New York City, as well as Westchester County, Northern New Jersey, Long Island and Connecticut's Fairfield County.

Dr. Plancher formed The Orthopaedic Foundation for Active Lifestyles (www.ofals.org), in Greenwich, Connecticut, a not-for-profit foundation whose major mission is to effectively promote, support, develop and encourage research and education concerning orthopaedic care and advancements in musculoskeletal diseases.

Dr. Plancher also formed Plancher Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine (www.plancherortho.com) with offices in Greenwich, Connecticut and in New York City. Plancher Orthopaedics is a leader in the field of Orthopaedics, Sports Medicine and acute emergency treatment of sports injury and rehabilitation. He is the official orthopaedic surgeon for the U.S. Ski and Snowboard teams and he is an attending physician at Stamford, Hospital in Stamford Connecticut and Beth Israel Hospital in Manhattan.

The "Best Doctor's" list is a collaboration of the magazine and Castle Connolly Medical, a research and publishing company. The 2008 list is based on the thirteenth edition of the Castle Connolly's *Top Doctors: New York Metro Area*.

The selection process is based on questionnaires sent to 16,000 top physicians in Fairfield County, Connecticut and in New York. In addition, Castle Connolly's physician staff conducts hundreds of telephone interviews with leading specialists, chiefs of service, and other hospital personnel. Criteria for the list include training, clinical skills, interpersonal skills, education, residency, board certification, fellowships, professional reputation, hospital appointment, medical school faculty appointment and experience.

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