

School of Medicine hires new chief of surgery for the VA

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Dr. Edwin Savlov, an internationally respected figure in surgical oncology, has been named chief of surgery at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Reno. Dr. Savlov was recruited by the University of Nevada School of Medicine and will also be a professor in the school's surgery department. His research activities are focused primarily on the surgical treatment and drug therapies for cancer.

Although he was born in Carbondale, PA, most of Dr. Savlov's education took place in Rochester, NY. He earned his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of Rochester and later taught in that institution from 1956 until 1980, when he accepted a position at Texas Tech University Academic Health Sciences Center in Amarillo, TX.

While in Rochester, his many activities included stints as president of the Monroe County Cancer and Leukemia Association and president of the Rochester Surgical Society. In Texas, he served as director of clinical research at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo, chairman of the cancer committee of Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo and president-elect of the American Cancer Society, Texas Division.