

**JEREMY PATRICK LEE-POTTER (born 1934). M.B., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Eng.),  
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**Chairman of Council of the British Medical Association.**

Jeremy Patrick Lee-Potter (born 1934) [Epsom College 1948-1952] was the son of Air Marshall Sir Patrick Brunton Lee-Potter, *K.B.E.*, of Rolvenden, Kent, and brother of James Brodie Lee-Potter [Epsom College 1949-1954]. He received his medical education at Guy's Hospital, qualifying M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. in 1958, and then joined the R.A.F. Medical Branch, serving in Aden and the Yemen with the rank of Squadron Leader. From 1965-1968 he was a Senior Specialist in Pathology at the R.A.F. Institute of Pathology and Tropical Medicine in charge of the Haematology Department. From 1968-1969 he was Lecturer in Haematology at St George's Hospital Medical School and, in 1969 he was appointed Consultant Haematologist to the Poole Hospital N.H.S. Trust, based at Poole General Hospital and the Bournemouth Hospitals. Jeremy Lee-Potter was involved in medical politics early in his professional career and from 1990-1993 was a member of the Standing Medical Advisory Committee of the British Medical Association, and Vice-President of the B.M.A. Audit Committee. From 1994-1999 he was Deputy Chairman of the Professional Conduct Committee of the General Medical Council and, from 1999-2002, Chairman of the Audit Committee of the British Medical Association. Other appointments included Deputy Chairman of the B.M.A. Central Consultants and Specialists Committee and Chairman of its Negotiating Committee; Chairman of Council of the B.M.A. (1990-1993), and Vice-President from 1998. He was a member of the G.M.C. Clinical Disputes Forum 1998-1999; of the Advisory Group Council for Registration of Forensic Practitioners 1998-1999, and a member of the King's Fund Organisational Audit Committee 1993-1995.

As Chairman of the British Medical Association Council, Jeremy Lee-Potter retired early from the National Health Service because he admitted that he was disillusioned with the Government response to doctors concerns about its policies for the N.H.S. In 1995, he wrote: "We are faced with an intransigent and unpopular government which continues to trample on our professionalism and ignore our advice." He was the author of *A Damn Bad Business: The N.H.S. Deformed* (1997). In 1957, he married Lynda Higginson, who as Lynda Lee-Potter, *O.B.E.*, was an actress and popular feature writer for the *Daily Mail*. While at Epsom College in 1952 he represented London Schools against Paris Schools at Athletics.