



Barry Diner, MD, MPH, FAAEM
Medical Director

Barry Diner holds a bachelor's degree in Biology from Yeshiva University, where he graduated with honors (cum laude) in 1990. His medical degree took him overseas to Israel, where he graduated from the Tel-Aviv University Sackler School of Medicine. He completed a residency in Emergency Medicine at The Brooklyn Hospital Center, Weill Medical College of Cornell Medical School and was appointed chief resident in his final year. After completion of his residency, he returned to his native country of Canada and took his first academic job at the University of Alberta, where he completed a master's in public health. Upon completion of his return-in-service commitment to

Canada, Diner was appointed to the faculty at Emory University, Department of Emergency Medicine, as an assistant professor. Diner is a recipient of funding by the CDC Foundation with a Young Investigators award with a Public Health Research Training Grant. He was also the EBM section editor for the Israeli Journal of Emergency Medicine and served for five years as the chief methodologist on the Clinical Policy Committee for the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

Twelve years ago, Diner moved to Houston, Texas to be near family. He is a member of the faculty at Baylor College of Medicine, where he is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Department of Emergency Medicine. Clinically, Diner works at Ben Taub, one of two major trauma centers in the Houston area, and at Texas Children's Hospital. Diner was the medical director at the First Texas Hospital. In addition, Diner also practices telemedicine for Ecare Group, which provides medical direction for oil rigs all over the world. MedCall is a service provider for the workers compensation and occupational health industry and the Houston Fire Department on the ETHAN telemedicine EMS project. Diner is also double-boarded in Hospice Medicine, and has achieved board certification in this subspecialty. He is a team physician for Vitas Hospice Care and Assistant Medical director at Silverado Hospice. Diner is also cofounder and medical director of Ascend Ketamine, an infusion center in Houston.

During the COVID pandemic, Diner sat on the hospital COVID task force and was a physician for the emergency response team in Harris County's mobile hospital. Diner is the committee chair for COVID at his local synagogue. In addition, he has consulted for three summer camps on COVID policy and procedures.

In his free time, Diner plays sports with his two sons, Noah and Ariel, and enjoys reading books with his daughter, Maya. Diner has been married for more than 20 years to Elena Lichtiger, who is a native of Houston.