

# Welcoming New Department of Medicine Leadership

**Sarah Berry, MD, MPH**



**Sarah Berry, MD, MPH**, has been appointed Chief of the **Division of Gerontology** in the Department of Medicine. As Division Chief, Dr. Berry will continue her 19-year affiliation with the Division of Gerontology and Hebrew SeniorLife. An outstanding teacher and mentor, an internationally recognized researcher, and a highly

effective program leader, Dr. Berry will continue to uphold BIDMC's and Hebrew SeniorLife's reputation for clinical, teaching, and research excellence in the field of aging, while endeavoring to reach new heights.

Dr. Berry received her Bachelor of Science in biomedical sciences from Auburn University and her medical degree from the University of Alabama Medical School. She completed her medical internship and residency programs at the University of Utah Health Sciences Center, and she came to Boston in 2004 to complete BIDMC's HMS-Wide Multicampus Geriatric Medicine Fellowship, where she later became Program Director from 2014–2020.

Dr. Berry is a national expert on osteoporosis and falls in older adults with multimorbidity. Her research has often focused on the strong link between medications and injurious falls, both in the community and nursing home settings. She is the author of more than 100 manuscripts, and she has served on national committees including the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research Professional Practice Committee. She currently chairs the American Geriatrics Society Research Committee.

# Congratulating New Department of Medicine Leadership

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In her new role as Chief, Dr. Berry will be overseeing clinicians across the Division of Gerontology and Hebrew SeniorLife as well as clinical investigators at the Hinda and Arthur Marcus Institute for Aging Research, where she is currently a senior scientist. As a clinician, Dr. Berry is an outstanding geriatrician and provides care for residents at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Center. She has been named Chair of the Age Friendly Leadership Committee, a newly formed committee at BIDMC committed to ensuring older adults receive evidence-based programs of care that include the four Ms of geriatrics: mind, medications, mobility, and what matters most. She is also currently taking part in the Linde Family Fellowship Program which is designed to equip physicians with the skills needed to become influential leaders in primary care practices.

Dr. Berry assumes the role from Lewis Lipsitz, MD, who led the Division for 25 years and will continue in his role as Director of the Marcus Institute. Dr. Lipsitz's decades-long career at BIDMC is marked by his work as a highly effective ambassador for geriatrics in our hospital, our health system, at HMS, and nationally as his work helped guide policy formation. Dr. Berry will continue Dr. Lipsitz's dedication to mentoring the next generation of geriatric clinicians and scientists, conducting exemplary research in the field of gerontology, and ensuring that BIDMC and Hebrew SeniorLife continue to provide excellent care for older adults.