

Dr. Lucy Tarin told herself when she started medical school, that she did not want her patients to experience what she did growing up. Doctors' visits were sporadic, persistent concerns of how to pay for health care, and she as a child, translating for her parents. It all seemed so wrong. There had to be a better way she thought. Fast forward to finishing her residency at USC/California Hospital Medical Center in 2003, she started her career working with White Memorial Medical Center Family Medicine Residency program. The thought process was sound, she can be a doctor and treat patients one by one or hope to instill in others the same drive and motivation and duplicate her efforts. After her first few formative years and a 2007 CORO health leadership fellowship under her belt, she moved on to Women's Health Director at

AltaMed and eventually Chief Medical officer of UMMA Community Clinic in one of South Los Angeles's most underserved areas. There she oversaw exponential growth in original clinic size, added a school satellite office and launched EMR for the blossoming FQHC. Her leadership skills were further honed by acceptance and completion of California Health Care Foundation Health Leadership Program which she finished in 2011. In 2012, Dr Tarin made her way back to the now rebranded Adventist Health White Memorial Family Medicine Residency Program, where she has been the Program Director since 2015. She credits her success and the programs' success in recruiting and training underrepresented minority physicians to work in underserved areas a longitudinal group effort and hopes to continue to help the medical landscape place higher value on mission driven physicians.