

## **TMA Board of Trustees**

(Vote for four)



**Lisa L. Ehrlich, MD**

It has been said that these are “unprecedented times.” Such times require exceptional leadership, and the Harris County Medical Society (HCMS) is proud to nominate Lisa L. Ehrlich, MD, for reelection to the Texas Medical Association Board of Trustees as an at-large member in 2024. As a trustee, Dr. Ehrlich has put the TMA’s mission and vision at the forefront of her efforts to improve the circumstances of the practice of medicine by striving to keep TMA’s strength as her top priority.

Dr. Ehrlich has significant leadership experience in organized medicine. She is a rare combination of disruptor and consensus builder. If you know her, you know she does not sit idly by complaining about things – she focuses on getting things done. She is not afraid to bring up any topic that needs discussion. However, she is also fair, insisting on collaboration and participation, playing on the strengths and differences of shareholders. Forthright and incisive when the situation demands it, Dr. Ehrlich has the intensity, ethics, and depth of experience to continue to be an asset to the board in these unprecedented times.

Jumping into action when it is needed comes as second nature to Dr. Ehrlich. In 2017, as HCMS president, she led the medical team at the NRG Center after Hurricane Harvey which sheltered over 4,000 displaced residents. She coordinated hundreds of physicians and nurses, emergency care, pharmacy, isolation protocols, and even dental and vision care. She was able to organize multiple stakeholders to work toward a common goal and use her translational abilities to organize systems and treat patients at the same time.

Lisa is a mother, wife, business owner, and loyal friend. She loves dinner conversation, listening to live music, reading, and snow skiing. She brings her experiences to the care of her patients as well as to leadership. But it is her love for the profession of medicine and her deep care for her patients that drives her strong passion for leadership in medicine. She recognizes that, while she has striven to deliver excellent care as an accomplished private internal medicine physician for 28 years, over time the system

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has become progressively averse to physicians and their patients. Dr. Ehrlich has identified this as a crisis for which she has dedicated her time in organized medicine to address.

With increasing intrusion into medicine by health plans, hospitals, legislators, and bureaucrats, 2024 calls for bold, proven, and dedicated leaders. Dr. Lisa Ehrlich is ready to continue being a force for physicians and the TMA on the Board of Trustees.

**Personal Statement:** *Put simply, 2024 demands leadership by physicians who have immersive experience with patient care as well as organized medicine, an understanding of the problems facing health care, and a courageous approach to solving problems for the effective improvement of the lives of patients and physicians. Therefore, I respectfully request your support for my election to the TMA Board of Trustees.*

**PROFILE**

Specialty: Internal Medicine

Medical School and Post Graduate Education: The University of Texas Medical Branch, 1989-93

Residency Program: University of Michigan Medical Center, 1993-96

Board Certification(s): American Board of Internal Medicine, 1996-2026 Primary Residence (City, State): Houston, Texas

What is your current practice status? Direct Patient Care: solo, small group, or shared overhead, 100%

Primary Employer and Employment Location (city, state):

L. Ehrlich and Associates Medical Clinic, PLLC, Houston, Texas

Do you expect to maintain your current employment status and location through your term in office? Yes

Does your current employment situation(s) require you to work outside of Texas? If yes, what is the nature of that work and how many days each month do you work outside of Texas. No

TMA positions held:

- Board member, TMA Board of Trustees (2021-present)
- Board member, TMF Health Quality Institute (2019-present, vice-chair: 2022-present)
- TMA Council on Socioeconomics (2018-21)
- TEXPAC Board of Directors (2004-21)
- TMA Council on Healthcare Quality (2011-18, chair: 2013-15; vice-chair: 2011-13)
- TMA Council on Patient and Physician Advocacy (2007-11, chair: 2010-11)
- AMA Delegate for TMA Young Physicians section (2003-06)

**DISCLOSURE OF AFFILIATIONS**

L. Ehrlich and Associates Medical Clinic, PLLC, Managing Partner/Owner

TMF Health Quality Institute, Trustee