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Dr. Cichon is a Professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine and the Department of Cell and Molecular Physiology, and has been a member of the Loyola University Chicago faculty since joining the institution in 1996. In 2012 he was appointed Inaugural Chairman of the new Department of Emergency Medicine Loyola University Chicago in the Health Science Division.

During the years since appointment within the Loyola Faculty:

- Section of the Division of Trauma – Department of Surgery
- Petitioned to be an Independent Division of Surgery in 2000.
- Petitioned the University to become the Department of Emergency Medicine in 2010.
- Appointed Inaugural Chair July 2011, Retired from Chairman position January 2024.
- Department highlights:
 - Promotion of faculty in rank
 - Advancement of faculty to leadership roles within LUMC, SSOM, Illinois College of EM Physicians.
 - Established EM Residency Program

In his role as ED Medical Director:

- Volume growth from 29,000 to 48,000 (sustained).
- 25 Inspections by JC, Burns, Trauma (ACS), EMSC, AAMC, GME
- Underwent Renovation 2009 – 2010. Invited lecturer regarding ED flow to International Quality Committee in Stockholm Sweden and to Architectural quality program in New Orleans.
- Epidemic/Pandemics: Anthrax, H1N1, MERS, SARS, Ebola, Covid-19,

Dr. Cichon has served as the Co-PI for the Emergency Medical Services for Children Grant in Illinois. During that time, the program demonstrated a statistically significant improvement in the morbidity and mortality in the care of the children in Illinois through the development of the facility recognition program in Illinois' emergency departments. The article outlining this work was recently accepted for publication in "Annals of Emergency Medicine." Through the dedication and hard work of many involved in EMS-C in Illinois, Emergency Departments and Pre-Hospital providers are better prepared for caring for children.

In addition his research interest include: Bio-markers in cardiac and sepsis identification, process and through-put in patient care, novel use of technology in patient care.

Dr. Cichon is the Medical Director for Loyola University Medical Center – Emergency Medical Services System where he oversees the licensing, education, policy and procedures for the 3500 "Pre-Hospital" personnel in the Loyola System.

- Loyola Emergency Medical Services System was one of the three original EMS systems in Illinois.
 - 480 hours of monthly CME (99,840 hours of CME since 1996)
 - The EMS system cover 61 Municipal and private Programs.
 - Under this program (Dr. Cichon' s Medical License) we have care for approximately 2.2 million patients since 1996.
 - First Nationally recognized EMS program in Illinois, COAMP
 - First Critical Care license in Illinois for the CCEMT-P program
 - Developed Critical Care Paramedic program for EMS.
 - Develop P&P for EMS.
 - Established process for basic EMT to administer Albuterol and Eppi pens that is now used state wide for Basic EMTs.
 - Developed program for Narcan/Tourniquet administration by First Responders through Homeland Security (estimated 6,000 police trained in Cook County).

- As Medical Director, Dr. Cichon has overseen the establishment and organization of disaster preparedness.

As Faculty at the Loyola’s Stritch School of Medicine, Dr. Cichon mentors and teaches in the existing curriculum during the sophomore pathology program and during the clerkship years, and he has developed a curriculum in Disaster Medicine for the medical students.

Dr. Cichon also serves as Medical Director for “LIFESTAR” since 2000, a CAMTS accredited flight program.

In addition, he has been involved with establishing a new Emergency Medicine Residency at Loyola University Medical Center as well as a critical care program for pre-hospital providers, EMS office of research, EMS clinical trials, and national accreditation for Loyola’s EMS System.

Dr. Cichon is the Past-President of Illinois College of Emergency Physicians, and he has served on its Board. Aside from his work at the Medical Center, Dr. Cichon is active in his community as a past appointed member to the City of Park Ridge Health Commission.

In addition he has served in many role within the medical center; the latest as Associate Chief Medical Officer – Physician-in-Chief. Chairman of the PARS Program at Loyola