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Prior to his position at HRA, Dr. Feldman was vice-president for patient safety, vice-president of perioperative services, and vice chairman of the department of surgery at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY. He implemented numerous patient safety initiatives including the use of the WHO surgical checklist. As past president of the Maimonides medical staff, Dr. Feldman was instrumental in the creation and implementation of a hospital wide Code of Mutual Respect, and physician peer review committee.

Dr. Feldman currently serves on the American College of Surgeon's (ACS) Simulation-Based Surgical Education Patient Safety Organization Steering Committee. He has also served on the ACS committee on perioperative care and as vice chairman of the ACS collaborative task force for the development of high-performance teams in surgery. He also served as the ACS liaison to the AORN recommended practices committee.

Dr. Feldman is a master TeamSTEPPS™ trainer and a certified trainer in Crucial Conversations® and Crucial Confrontations®. Dr. Feldman received a BA and MD from Duke University, completed training in general surgery at The Roosevelt Hospital (now Mount Sinai West), and plastic surgery at Duke University Medical Center. He earned an MBA from New York University.

Joseph Sweeney is a recognized expert in the field of Law Enforcement and Security. The foundation of his expertise is his colorful 21-year career with the NYPD. His career is highlighted by numerous accomplishments as a Detective, and he was tasked with solving many high-profile cases that came with tremendous media and public scrutiny. In 2010, he became head of Hospital Police at NYC Health and Hospitals' flagship facility, historic **Bellevue Hospital**. Shortly thereafter he was asked to revamp the department. After reorganizing and revitalizing the 90-member department and receiving high praise from both NYC Health and Hospitals' top brass and Union leadership, Sweeney developed an idea to create an innovative Hospital Police Training Academy for the entire health system, which is the largest health care system in the country. In 2016, Mr. Sweeney was named Commissioner of NYC Hospital Police and in 2018 he took the position of Senior Director of Security at Hospital for Special Surgery in NYC.

Diana Salta, MSW, R-LCSW, ACSW, C-ASWCM, BCETS has practiced as a New York State Licensed Clinical Social Worker for over 30 years. Ms. Salta holds a Master's Degree in Social Work, from SUNY Stony Brook University, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice & Sociology, from C.W. Post-Long Island University. Ms. Salta has been employed with St. Francis Hospital for over 25 years as the Assistant Director of Care Management/Social Work. Prior to coming to SFH, she was the Acting Director of Social Work at St. John's Queens Hospital in Elmhurst, Queens, New York.

In addition to Ms. Salta's work in acute care settings, she has worked as a Medical Social Worker in Home Care; in Psychiatric Day Treatment with Mentally Ill and Developmentally Disabled adults and geriatric clients; worked with inmates and their families in a LI Correction Facility, as well as with juvenile delinquents and youthful offenders through the Suffolk County Community Service Program.

Ms. Salta is a Certified Mediator, Board Certified in Traumatic Stress and is a CPI-Non-Violent Crisis Prevention Certified Trainer. She has provided crisis intervention to First Responders post 9/11, and created the De-escalation Training Program at St. Francis Hospital to help staff better manage challenging people who display threatening behavior. In addition, Ms. Salta facilitates **staff support groups** within the hospital in response to traumatic events that occur to assist staff better understand potential stress reaction and post-traumatic stress.

Ms. Salta is a member of the National Association of Social Workers and the American Academy of Experts in Traumatic Stress.