

Dianna Jacob, RPA, MBA

Bio

Dianna is a healthcare executive with over 20 years of experience in the field. She began her career in 2000 as a physician assistant in orthopedic surgery at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, NY. In this role, she became engaged in process and quality improvement within the service. After completing her MBA in Healthcare Administration, she transitioned into management as Operating Room Manager managing day-to-day operations for a 25-room operating suite. In 2008, Dianna left Montefiore to lead medical education and faculty affairs at NYU Langone Medical Center (NYULMC) as Vice President for Education, Faculty and Academic Affairs. At NYU, she was responsible for overall operations and strategic planning for undergraduate medical education, graduate medical education, continuing medical education as well as the supporting offices in the dean's office. She was also responsible for faculty affairs including oversight for the appointment, promotion and tenure process, faculty performance and development. Dianna was part of the team who developed the [3-year pathway to the MD degree](#) that eventually became the foundation for the 3-year medical school at NYU Grossman School of Medicine. In January of 2014, Dianna rejoined Montefiore as Vice President/Executive Director of the Wakefield Campus, an acute care hospital in the Bronx, where she was responsible for overall strategic planning, hospital operations, safety, quality, and fiscal outcomes. In 2018 she took a year off and traveled abroad to over 24 countries across Africa, the Middle East, Europe, the Nordic region and Asia, [documenting her journey](#) along the way. After working as a Partnership Executive at Ready Surgery, an early stage healthcare startup for about a year, it became increasingly evident that her passion and commitment aligned with serving the underserved and vulnerable populations.

In 2020, at the start of the COVID19 pandemic, Dianna joined NYC Health and Hospitals Coney Island Hospital as Chief Operating Officer. In her current role, she is responsible for hospital operations, support services and ancillary services. In addition to managing the changing landscape of the COVID19 pandemic, she is also planning for the opening of a new hospital in Summer of 2022 to be rebranded as South Brooklyn Health/Ruth Bader Ginsberg Hospital.

Dianna earned her Bachelor's Degree from St. John's University, graduating Magna cum Laude. She received her certification as a Physician Assistant from St. Vincent's Catholic Medical Center followed by her Master's in Business Administration with a focus on Healthcare Administration.

Outside of work, Dianna is passionate about equity and belonging, social/racial justice and health and wellness. She is also a food, wine and travel enthusiast, running a private event catering business for over 10 years.