



The Department of Emergency Medicine has a robust research infrastructure and we invite you to consider our team as **a resource, specifically, for patient finding**, when planning your next clinical trial or research study.

The Department of Emergency Medicine, and its practice plan currently staffs the highest volume emergency departments in Western New York, including those at the Erie County Medical Center (ECMC), the Buffalo General Medical Center (BGMC), Millard Fillmore Suburban, DeGraff Memorial Hospital, and the Veterans' Affairs Medical Center. Our team of attending physicians, residents and Advanced Practice Providers offers exceptional patient care and is experienced with the conduct of clinical research. Many of our physician faculty members are **accomplished researchers working in specialty areas including prehospital care, neurological emergencies, diagnostic modalities including ultrasound, and the practical implementation of treatment guidelines, to name just a few**. We are also a member of the **Emergency Research Network in the Empire State (ERNIES)**, a collaborative designed to conduct multi-institution research projects.

While our research infrastructure is anchored by our clinicians, it is strengthened by our supporting team members. Our department is unique in that **we have Research Associates working in the emergency departments at ECMC and BGMC 7 days a week, 12 hours a day from 10 am to 10pm**. Our Research Associates are able to recruit, consent, and enroll patients in studies and complete elements of clinical trial and research protocols while patients are in the emergency department. Our research team is rounded out by a **Research Coordinators** and Managers who are knowledgeable in initiating and managing studies in the emergency department.

Our research team has the expertise, skill and resources to help you access a valuable patient population at the gateway to the healthcare system. We are available to assist with study design, IRB preparation, patient recruitment, study implementation and data analysis. We welcome opportunities to both assist you with projects of your own and partner with you on projects that would be appropriate for emergency medicine collaboration.

For more information about our team or to discuss opportunities for collaboration, please contact our Vice Chair for Research, Dr. E. Brooke Lerner at lerner@buffalo.edu.