

T. Hershel Gardin, Ph.D.
Bio-Sketch

Dr. Gardin began his professional career teaching Introductory Psychology and more advanced Social Psychology courses at Wayne State University in Detroit. He then moved into a clinical and research practice focusing on substance abusers and substance abuse and from there to a major health care system where he rose from research staff to corporate officer and vice president of Medicare Operations. Beginning in 1982 he was also personally responsible for the then novel and innovative introduction of desktop computing throughout the above mentioned health care system, one of the very first corporations in metropolitan Detroit to do so.

After retiring from the health care industry and taking a year-long sabbatical, he accepted an unsolicited offer to act as “Interim” Senior Vice President and Dean of Academic Administration at Michigan Jewish Institute, a four-year college offering degrees in IT and business amongst others. Eleven years later he resigned and moved into independent consulting and semi-retirement.

In addition to his formal university undergraduate and graduate education at Wayne State University, Dr. Gardin spent more than a half dozen years as a rabbinical seminary student. Here, he began a life-long interest in and study of medical and business ethics. He has been and continues to be a regular participant in a series of biannual conferences focusing on contemporary medical ethical issues, hosted by Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Over a period of more than 45 years, Dr. Gardin has honed his skills as: a prolific social scientist; clinician; post-secondary educator; executive manager; grant writer; and, a strategic and business planner. He has authored dozens of peer-reviewed journal articles on a variety of topics and been invited to address numerous scientific and scholarly conferences, including the: American Association of Health Plans, American Psychological Association, American Public Health Association, the Association of Information Management, Group Health Association of America, the National Association of Urban Based HMOs, the National Managed Health Care Congress, and most notably, the W.H.O.’s World Federation of Public Health Associations, IVth International Triennial Congress, Tel Aviv, Israel.

Dr. Gardin continues to be active in professional and charitable consulting related to ethical medical and business behavior, grant seeking, advanced education, and business operations.

