

Dr. John H. Helzberg Honored as 2020 Foundation Fellow



Saint Luke's Foundation is proud to announce John H. Helzberg, MD, as the 2020 Foundation Fellow. The Foundation Fellow Award recognizes individuals who have given time, expertise, and charitable support to advance research, education, and medical programs at Saint Luke's.

Dr. Helzberg has served as the Saint Luke's Marion H. Bloch Endowed Chair in Gastroenterology and Medicine for the last 12 years. This endowed chair is made possible by generous support from the Marion and Henry Bloch Family Foundation. Dr. Helzberg also serves as a clinical professor at University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine, on Saint Luke's Hospital Board, and on the Saint Luke's Marion Bloch Neuroscience Institute Advisory Council.

Dr. Helzberg has been a physician in gastroenterology at Saint Luke's Hospital since 1987 and has been the section chief of the gastroenterology division for 26 years. His areas of special interest include clinical liver disease, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease, endoscopy, colonoscopy, and chronic hepatitis. Patients know and respect him as a compassionate physician with an exceptional bedside manner and a delightful sense of humor.

As a trust advisor for the Auerbach Hirsch Fund at Menorah Heritage Foundation, Dr. Helzberg has helped secure hundreds of thousands of dollars to benefit charity care at Saint Luke's. Dr. Helzberg and his wife, Reesa, also personally support charity care in addition to medical education programs at Saint Luke's.

The Saint Luke's Foundation is honored to include Dr. Helzberg among our highly esteemed fellows.