

# DREW BAKER, MD

Chief of Emergency Medicine, Greater Southern Alameda Area

My father – a salesman – always said if you love your product and believe in it, you'll have no trouble selling it.

I've been able to convey my enthusiasm for Kaiser Permanente to such an extent that some of the best physicians in the country have joined us, and that's a major factor in the quality of care we provide.

I was one of the newest and youngest members of the emergency department when I had the opportunity to become chief. I jumped at the chance to lead the department I had grown to love. Two decades later, I'm just as enthusiastic and am especially proud of having recruited a really fine group of physicians.

Together, we've launched efforts to get our members from the waiting room into an exam room or hospital bed faster than ever before and to get some lab results back in minutes rather than hours. Our patients appreciate this high level of care, and I know our physicians enjoy delivering it.



**"I'M PROUD TO HAVE RECRUITED WARM AND CARING PHYSICIANS."**



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## 2007 Cecil Cutting, MD LEADERSHIP AWARD

During more than two decades as the GSAA's Chief of Emergency Services, Drew Baker, MD, has been instrumental in the department's exceptional growth in scope and quality.

Over time, the department more than doubled in size. The challenge of recruiting so many new physicians cannot be overstated, but happily, Dr. Baker is ideally suited to the task. This "recruiter extraordinaire" has attracted some of the country's most talented emergency physicians to the GSAA.

