

## Daniel Fink, MD

Dr. Daniel Fink is a board-certified internist and medical management expert. A graduate of Yale University and the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, Dr. Fink completed his internal medicine training at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. He was then a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholar at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was also a Senior Fellow at the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics and received an MBA from the Wharton School.

Dr. Fink has been on the faculty of three medical schools, and also worked in medical management for 35 years in medical groups, HMOs, and hospitals. Most recently, Dr. Fink was Medical Director, Case Management, at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, where he is currently on the Emeritus Medical Staff. Dr. Fink continues to work part-time as a Medical Director for Anthem.

Dr. Fink suffers from tinnitus and hyperacusis, which developed after a one-time noise exposure in 2007. In 2015, Dr. Fink discovered that the widely cited 85 decibel safe noise exposure level is not a safe noise exposure level for the general public, but actually is an occupational noise exposure level that comes with strict time limits and even then doesn't protect all exposed workers from hearing loss. He presented a paper on this subject at the national meeting of the Institute for Noise Control Engineering in June 2016, and wrote a number of articles about this and other noise topics for *Tinnitus Today* and *Hearing Health* magazines, and for [Silencity.com](http://Silencity.com) and [Quiet Communities](http://QuietCommunities.com).

Dr. Fink's ideas about the safe noise level are summarized in an editorial in the January 2017 issue of the *American Journal of Public Health*, called "[What Is a Safe Noise Level for the Public?](#)" He led development of the multi-author "[Noise Fact Sheet-1](#)" published in May 2016 by Quiet Communities and is currently working on a second "Noise Fact Sheet" dealing with non-auditory effects of noise.

Dr. Fink is Founding Board Chair of [The Quiet Coalition](http://TheQuietCoalition.com) and serves on the board of the [American Tinnitus Association](http://AmericanTinnitusAssociation.com). He also serves on the

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