

Teresa DeLellis, MSW, LSW
Director of Social Service
Christian Health Care Center



Teresa DeLellis has worked as a social worker for the past 23 years in settings which have included acute care as well as long term care. Ms. DeLellis has been with Christian Health Care since 2006, serving as the Director of Social Services. She oversees the daily operations of the 3 specialty units offered at Christian Health Care, which are the David F. Bolger Post-acute Care Unit, Heritage Manor Nursing Home, and Southgate Behavioral Unit. Ms. DeLellis provides assistance with discharge plans as well as assisting with exploring options which include assisted living, independent living, and accessing community resources.

Teresa received her BSW from Kean University and her MSW from Rutgers University. She is a member of the Advance Care Planning Task Force and an active member of the Christian Health Care Center's Speaker's Bureau. She runs a monthly caregiver support group and a bereavement group at the Christian Health Care Center which is open to the public. Ms. DeLellis is a trained faith and grief facilitator as well as a Certified Dementia Practitioner. She is also a member of the Professional Advisory Council for the MSW program at Ramapo College.

Marianne Guerriero, BSN, RN, NE-BC
Ramapo Ridge Psychiatric Hospital
Christian Health Care Center
Nurse Executive



As Nurse Executive, Marianne Guerriero, BSN, RN, NE-BC is responsible for directing, planning, and organizing the overall operations of the Ramapo Ridge Psychiatric Hospital Nursing Services. Responsibilities include ensuring the provision of safe, effective, high quality nursing care that is evidence based, incorporating best clinical practices and compliancy with voluntary and regulatory agency standards and requirements. Ramapo Ridge has achieved deemed status through several Joint Commission surveys and provides acute inpatient Adult and Geriatric Psychiatric Care. The Geriatric Unit has a dedicated program which focuses on activities, interventions and treatment for patients experiencing Dementia with Behavioral disturbances.

Ms. Guerriero began her nursing career working as a nursing assistant at Christian Health Care Center while attending nursing school. As a new RN she worked at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center on both medical surgical units and pre- and post-open heart surgery/telemetry units. While at St. Joseph's, her interest in education for staff, patients, and families was enhanced

as her responsibilities grew to include RN Preceptor, Patient Educator, and Staff CPR Instructor. Over the course of her 30-year career Ms. Guerriero has placed an emphasis on the value and significance of each member of the interdisciplinary care team's role in providing and coordinating patient care.

Ms. Guerriero is the Nursing Leader who represents the Nurse Executive Leadership Council of Christian Health Care Center as a member of the Senior Management Team.

Ms. Guerriero's education includes an Associate's Degree in Nursing from Felician College and a Bachelor's Degree also from Felician College. Currently she is pursuing a dual Master's Degree in Nursing Administration and Education from Regis University. She is certified through the American Nurses Credentialing Center as Nurse Executive.

Rev. Sandra L. Masters, M.Div, BCC
Heritage Manor Nursing Home Primary Chaplain
Christian Health Care Center



Rev. Sandi Masters has been the primary chaplain for the Heritage Manor Nursing Home of Christian Health Care Center for the past 7 years. Prior to that, she served as a hospital chaplain in St. Paul, MN and Dallas, TX. She earned her BS from the University of North Texas, a Master of Divinity from Southern Methodist University and served a post-graduate Clinical Pastoral Education residency at HealthEast Care Systems in St. Paul, MN.

Rev. Masters is a board-certified chaplain and has completed further post-graduate work in Palliative Care through University of California-San Marcos. She provides, coordinates, and oversees spiritual care and resources for 177 long term care residents and 74 post-acute care patients.

Sandi is a member of Christian Health Care Center's Advance Care Planning task force, teaching and consult team. Much of her work is focused on providing palliative care and end-of-life spiritual guidance, support and resources to residents, patients and their families. She is also a frequent speaker in area faith communities. In addition, she leads and coordinates a monthly community Faith and Grief support group at the Christian Health Care Center. She is a member of the Association of Professional Chaplains.

Nancy Mericle, BA, RN, CDONA, CHPN (Bergen/Passaic County)
Director of Nursing
Christian Health Care Center



Nancy graduated from Kings College in Wilkes Barre, PA with a BA in English and Education, and Mercy School of Nursing in Toledo, Ohio. She began her Nursing career as a Psychiatric Nurse, working in psychiatric facilities in both Ohio and New Jersey. She entered the world of Long Term Care in 1997 as the Interdisciplinary Team Coordinator, Wound Care Coordinator, Pain/Palliative Care Team Coordinator, and MDS Coordinator at the Christian Health Care Center in Wyckoff New Jersey. Nancy has served as the Director of Nursing at the Christian Health Care Center since 2001. In 2004 Nancy was awarded the Nurse of the year award by The Health Care Association of New Jersey.

Nancy has spearheaded numerous programs aimed at enhancing the quality of life for senior living residents, including: *Fit For Your Life* (a strengthening and endurance weight training program for older adults), a neighborhood project that transformed the hospital-like wings of the nursing facility into a collection of neighborhood like streets. She has participated in a statewide Long Term Care/Palliative Care Project, two peer review organization of New Jersey projects, served on the Atlantic and Optimus Post-acute Care Program External Advisory Board and assisted the facility in achieving the AHCA/NCAL Bronze National Quality Award in 2015.

Douglas Struyk CPA, LNHA

President and CEO



Douglas A. Struyk, LNHA, CPA, is responsible for insuring that Christian Health Care Center (CHCC) fulfills its ministry of service to those we serve on a daily basis and in accordance with the Mission Statement. He also oversees efforts to plan for future needs and opportunities to fulfill the vision.

“I seek to accomplish this and much more by providing support and access to resources to my colleagues on the senior management team and the staff and volunteers that they, in turn, support and supervise,” said Mr. Struyk.

Mr. Struyk regularly reports on the fulfillment of the Center’s mission and vision to the CHCC Board of Trustees and its supporting CHCC Foundation Board of Trustees. He also serves as an ambassador to the community to maintain an understanding of the community’s needs and to encourage its support of CHCC.

Mr. Struyk joined the Center in September 1990 as Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer and became President and CEO in July 1994. He also joined the Board of Trustees of the CHCC Foundation as a Charter Member in 1999. Mr. Struyk holds a bachelor of business administration in accounting, and a master of business administration, both from Pace University in New York. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator.

In furthering the mission of CHCC, Mr. Struyk sees his role as empowering employees to reach their potential in the fulfillment of their responsibilities and to maintain a vision for the future that is grounded in our core principles and articulated through an inclusive strategic planning process. He also feels it is a privilege to regularly pray for God’s blessings upon the efforts of our staff, volunteers, residents, patients, and clients as they serve and are served, respectively.

“What I like most about working at CHCC is the commitment, dedication, competency, and quality of the staff and how uplifting it is to work with them,” said Mr. Struyk. “With God’s grace, they maintain a reputation for the Center that brings a priceless sense of personal and professional fulfillment. Similarly, the Center would not be what it is without our wonderful volunteers, since they bring an added dimension to the Center’s environment of caring.”

