Chair-Officers

Brian G. Donley, M.D., Council Chair
Chief Executive Officer, Cleveland Clinic London, England
(Term 2017-19; Chair Officer 2019-21)

Brian is chief executive officer of Cleveland Clinic London, a role he began in February 2018. As CEO, Brian directs the strategy and operations, guides recruitment and will lead the opening of an outpatient medical facility in 2020 and a new 184 bed private healthcare facility in central London near Buckingham Palace in early 2021. The full service facility will add another international location to a health system that includes a 165-acre main campus near downtown Cleveland, nine regional hospitals throughout Northeast Ohio, and facilities in Florida, Nevada, Canada and Abu Dhabi.

Since joining Cleveland Clinic as an orthopedic surgeon in 1996, Brian has held numerous leadership positions within the Cleveland Clinic health system. Brian established and chaired the Cleveland Clinic’s Professional Conduct Committee. He served as President of Lutheran Hospital, President of the Cleveland Clinic Regional Hospitals and Family Health Centers and, in January 2015, Brian began his role as Chief of Staff and Chief of Clinical Operations for the Cleveland Clinic Health System overseeing all clinical operations across North America and leading the more than 4,000 physician medical group.

Brian is a professor of surgery at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine and has published numerous peer reviewed articles and book chapters in addition to holding multiple patents for innovative orthopaedic foot and ankle medical devices. Brian graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Notre Dame; completed his medical and orthopaedic surgery training at the University of Michigan Medical School; and completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School.

Penny Wheeler, M.D., Council Chair-elect
President and Chief Executive Officer, Allina Health, Minneapolis, MN
(Term 2017-20; Chair Officer 2021-22)

Penny became the president and chief executive officer of Allina Health in 2015. She previously served as chief clinical officer since 2006 and president since 2013. Allina Health is comprised of 12 hospitals, 90+ clinics, 29,000+ employees and several related companies including home health, hospice, transportation, medical equipment and retail pharmacy. Penny sets the overall strategic direction for Allina Health, focusing on ensuring the organization delivers exceptional care and supports the health and well-being of all those served. She is a board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist.

Under Penny’s leadership, Allina Health has sharpened its focus on serving those who have not always been well-served by the health care system, including individuals with disabilities through the creation of Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute; those with mental illness and addiction issues through significant investments in Allina Health’s mental health capabilities; and those at the end of life through innovative approaches which allow patients in late life to focus on what matters most. In addition, she led the creation of Allina Health’s clinical service line model which helps ensure patients receive the right care at the right place at the right time. Penny has led care coordination and navigation efforts, payer partnerships to advance outcomes-based reimbursement models, and championed the use of advanced analytics.

Penny is on the board of Portico Healthnet, an organization dedicated to helping uninsured Minnesotans receive affordable health coverage and care, the Greater Twin Cities United Way, St. Thomas University and the University of Minnesota Foundation. Additionally, she chaired the board of the Minnesota Community Measurement, a regional health quality collaborative. Minnesota Business named Penny the 2012 “Outstanding Health Care Executive” and Modern Healthcare recognized her in 2015 as one of the “Top 25 Women in Health Care.” In July 2015, Minnesota Governor Mark Dayton appointed her to the Taskforce for Health Care Financing. In 2018 she received an award as one of the 100 most influential people in healthcare and in 2019 was recognized as one of the 50 most influential clinical executives.
Anthony (Tony) Slonim, M.D., Dr.PH, FACHE, Council Past-Chair
President and Chief Executive Officer, Renown Health, Reno, NV
(Term 2017-19; Chair Officer 2018-20)

Tony is the president and CEO of Renown Health, an integrated healthcare system including five acute care campuses; 120 sites for primary, urgent and specialty care; affiliations with Stanford Medicine, the University of Nevada, Reno Medical School, St. George’s University School of Medicine in Grenada; and an integrated, provider-sponsored health plan that serves more than 160,000 members. Renown’s more than 7,200 employees and 1000 providers serve as the regional referral center for 100,000 square miles from Sacramento to Salt Lake City.

With a focus on caring for patients, members, and the community, Tony has a personal passion for population health. He caught the industry’s attention by launching the Healthy Nevada Project®, the first community based, population health study combining genetic, environmental, social and clinical data to address individual and community health needs. As of January 2020, nearly 50,000 volunteer participants have enrolled in this program statewide and it has become a model for genetic screening at the population level nationwide. Governor Steve Sisolak recently appointed Tony as a Commissioner on the Patient Protection Commission, responsible for improving access, affordability and quality of healthcare for all Nevadans.

Recognized nationally as a thought leader, *Modern Healthcare* has named Tony to its Most Influential Physician Executives and Leaders list. He has been honored on *Becker’s Hospital Review*’s “Physician Leaders to Know” list since 2014. Tony serves as the inaugural editor-in-chief of the American Association of Physician Leader’s (AAPL) *Physician Leadership Journal* serving the needs of the 15000 physician leaders who subscribe to this bi-monthly publication. Tony recently completed his term as chair of the AHA’s Systems Council.

Tony graduated from New York Medical College, served four years in the U.S. Public Service Commissioned Corps, and earned both his master’s and doctoral degrees in health policy from The George Washington University’s Center for Health Policy Studies.

AHA Board of Trustees Liaison

Sylvia J. Young, AHA Board Liaison 2020
President and Chief Executive Officer, HealthONE and HCA Continental Division, Denver, CO
(Term 2020)

Sylvia was appointed president and chief executive officer of HCA Continental Division in June 2012. The Division includes HealthONE in Denver and Wesley Healthcare in Wichita, and consists of nine acute care hospitals, a rehabilitation hospital, a behavioral health and wellness campus, nine freestanding emergency departments, 20 ambulatory surgery centers, dozens of physician clinics and six urgent care clinics. Before this appointment, Sylvia served as president of HCA's Sunrise Health System; chief executive officer of The Medical Center of Aurora and Centennial Medical Plaza; and as chief operating officer of HealthONE's The Medical Center of Aurora.

Sylvia has received numerous recognitions including “Alumni of the Year” from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Graduate School of Health Administration in 2018; Denver Business Journal finalist for "Outstanding Women in Business;" one of the 2016 "Top Women Business Leaders in the Western U.S." by *Forbes*; one of the "Top 25 Most Powerful Women" in 2015 by Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce; Samford University's "Alumni of the Year in 2013;" one of the 10 "Power Women of Nevada" by Nevada Business Magazine in 2012; and one of the "Top 25 Women in Healthcare" by *Modern Healthcare* in 2009.

Sylvia serves on the HCA Corporate Leadership Development Institute and supports a variety of local boards including Colorado Concern and Denver Center for the Performing Arts. She was appointed as an At-Large Trustee of the American Hospital Association Board of Trustees in April 2019 and appointed to a full term in 2020.

Sylvia has a master's degree in health administration from the University of Alabama, Birmingham and a bachelor's degree in public administration from Samford University in Birmingham.
**Council Members (in alphabetical order)**

**David S. Chernow**  
President & Chief Executive Officer, Select Medical Corporation, Mechanicsburg, PA  
(Term 2019-21)

David has served as president and chief executive officer of Select Medical Corporation since January 2014. Prior, he served as the company’s president from 2010-14; held the additional titles of chief administrative officer in 2012-13; chief development and strategy officer in 2011-12; and chief strategy officer in 2010. He previously served on the Company’s Board of Directors from August 2005 to September 2010.

Select Medical began in 1996 as a regional provider of outpatient physical rehabilitation. Today, it is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, currently trading under the NYSE ticker symbol SEM, and encompasses four areas of patient care expertise: critical illness recovery (LTACs), inpatient medical rehabilitation, outpatient physical therapy and occupational medicine, all of which are delivered and supported by more than 49,000 health care professionals across the U.S. Through valued partnerships with health systems nationally, Select Medical has grown to become the largest provider of post-acute care across the U.S. with over $5 billion in sales, making them a Fortune 500 company.

Prior to joining Select, David served as the president and chief executive officer of Oncure Medical Corp., a national network of cancer treatment centers; president and chief executive officer of JA Worldwide, formerly known as Junior Achievement; and president of the Physician Services Group at US Oncology, Inc. David co-founded American Oncology Resources in 1992 and served as its chief development officer until the time of the merger with Physician Reliance Network, Inc., which created US Oncology, Inc. in 1999.

David is Chairman of the board of OneOncology, LLC, and a member of the Board of Directors of U.S. Physiatry, LLC. He holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of California, Los Angeles and a juris doctorate degree from Pepperdine University.

**Russell (Russ) F. Cox**  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Norton Healthcare, Louisville, KY  
(Term 2018-20)

Russ assumed his current position as president and chief executive officer of Norton Healthcare in January 2017. He joined Norton Healthcare in September 2000 as vice president of support services. He was appointed senior vice president, operations and development, in October 2002; executive vice president in September 2004; and executive vice president and chief operating officer in September 2005. Norton Healthcare includes five large hospitals, 14 Norton Immediate Care Centers, 5 diagnostic centers and more than 270 physician practice locations.

Prior to joining Norton Healthcare, Russ spent six years as executive director of resource operations at Caritas Health Services in Louisville. Before that, he worked for Humana Inc., Galen Healthcare and Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp., in various executive roles, including human resources, development and acquisitions, and operations support.

Russ is active in the community by serving on various nonprofit, volunteer boards. He currently serves on the Bellarmine University Board of Trustees and is a member of its Executive Committee; Kentucky Chamber Board of Trustees; Greater Louisville, Inc. Board of Trustees; and WDRB Editorial Board. He previously served on the Downtown Development Corporation Board as treasurer and member of its Executive Committee; Kentucky Country Day School Board of Trustees as board chair and member of its Executive Committee; and as past chair of the Leadership Louisville Foundation Board.

A lifelong resident of Louisville, Russ earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Louisville’s College of Education and Human Development. He also attended the Vanderbilt University Owen School of Management and completed its Executive Development Institute requirements for certification.
**Tina Freese Decker, FACHE**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, Spectrum Health, Grand Rapids, MI**  
**(Term 2020-22)**

Tina is the president and chief executive officer of Spectrum Health, a $7 billion integrated health system, with a medical group, health plan and 14 hospitals employing 31,000 individuals in Southwest and West Michigan.

Over her 17 years serving Spectrum Health in various strategic and operational roles, Tina has developed a track record for cultivating culture and driving strategy. She is committed to building a health system that celebrates and reinforces diversity and inclusion for employees, patients, families and members.

As president and CEO, she has successfully implemented a new mission, vision and values. This foundational strategic work has been instrumental to reducing health disparities, lowering cost, and improving health and access.


She earned a bachelor’s of science in finance from Iowa State University and graduated with a master’s of health administration and master of industrial engineering from the University of Iowa.

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**Elizabeth (Liz) Dunne, RD, MS**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, PeaceHealth, Vancouver, WA**  
**(Term 2017-20)**

Liz is president and chief executive officer for PeaceHealth, a faith-based, not-for-profit health care system with medical centers, critical access hospitals and medical clinics located in Washington, Oregon and Alaska. Liz developed and provides continued oversight of strategic priorities, with a focus on clinical excellence, top value, community wellness and high engagement to lead PeaceHealth from an acute care, hospital-centric model of care to a person-centered and community care model. With a strong focus on community partnership and increasing access to care, Liz led PeaceHealth’s acquisition of ZOOM+Care in 2018.

Liz came to PeaceHealth in 2015 from Providence Health & Services, where she served as community chief executive officer for the South Bay (Calif.) Region, with direct oversight for two hospitals and six care sites in Torrance and San Pedro. She previously held executive officer positions with City of Hope (Duarte, Calif.) and Memorial Health Services (Fountain Valley, Calif.).

She serves on the American Hospital Association Health Systems Council, the Oregon Business Council and is Board Chair of Catholic CEO Healthcare Connection. She is a member of Catholic Health Association, American College of Healthcare Executives, Washington Association of Hospitals & Health Systems, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, Press Ganey and the EPIC CEO Council.

Liz retired as a lieutenant colonel after serving 10 years on active duty in the United States Air Force and 10 years in the USAF reserves. She is a registered dietitian with a master’s degree in business and computer resource management from Webster University in St. Louis, Mo.
Robert (Bob) C. Garrett, FACHE  
Chief Executive Officer, Hackensack Meridian Health, Edison, NJ  
(Term 2018-20)

Bob is chief executive officer of Hackensack Meridian Health, New Jersey’s largest health network with 17 hospitals from Bergen to Ocean counties, with 4,500 beds, 6,500 credentialed physicians, more than 500 patient care locations and 34,100 team members. Under Bob’s visionary leadership, the network opened the Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine at Seton Hall University, formed a historic partnership with Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and secured the network’s merger with New Jersey’s largest behavioral health provider to dramatically improve access and the quality of care for addiction treatment and mental illness in New Jersey and beyond. The School of Medicine’s campus is also home to the Hackensack Meridian Health Center for Discovery and Innovation, which attracts leading researchers from around the globe who are advancing knowledge of regenerative medicine, cancer and infectious disease and multiple myeloma.

Bob launched his career at Hackensack University Medical Center in 1981. He served as president and CEO of the Hackensack University Health Network from 2009-2016, dramatically expanding the network through a series of acquisitions, partnerships and affiliations. In July 2016, the network merged with Meridian Health creating Hackensack Meridian Health with an extensive breadth of services reaching two-thirds of New Jersey residents.

Bob’s leadership and strategic vision has garnered much professional praise. He has been included in the prestigious list of The CEO Forum’s 10 CEOs Transforming Healthcare in America. He was featured on ROI-NJ Influencers: Power List 2018 and 2019 and was ranked #1 in the NJBIZ 2017 “Power 50 Health Care” list. He was also ranked on the 2019 “NJBIZ Power 100: The most powerful people in New Jersey business” list for six consecutive years. He was selected as a member of The Wall Street Journal CEO Council, an invite-only council representing some of the most well-respected business leaders in America.

Bob received his master of health administration from Washington University in Saint Louis and his bachelor’s degree from Binghamton University in New York.

A. Marc Harrison, M.D.  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Intermountain Healthcare, Salt Lake City, UT  
(Term 2018-20)

Marc is president and CEO of Intermountain Healthcare, and a pediatric critical care physician with a proven track record as a top operations executive on a global scale. He is a national and international thought leader on transformation and innovation—ranking in Fortune’s Top 50 World’s Greatest Leaders in 2019. He also ranked second among Modern Healthcare’s Most Influential Physician Executives and Leaders and tied for second on its list of the 100 Most Influential People in Healthcare in 2018.

He is leading Intermountain’s 38,000 employees to embrace bold new approaches to improve health, re-define value-based care, and serve people in new ways. For example, Intermountain launched Civica Rx, a not-for-profit generic drug manufacturer and distributor, to make generic medications more available and affordable in hospitals across the nation. Intermountain is also a founding member of the Utah Alliance for the Determinants of Health, which is a collaboration of community partners designed to proactively address forces that affect people’s health well before they come to a clinic or a hospital.

Marc also served as CEO of Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, chief of international business development at Cleveland Clinic, and chief medical operations officer at Cleveland Clinic.

He received his undergraduate degree from Haverford College, his medical degree from Dartmouth Medical School, completed a pediatric residency and pediatric care fellowship at Intermountain’s Primary Children’s Hospital, and a master of medical management at Carnegie Mellon University. Marc is an all-American triathlete and represented the U.S. at the 2014 World Championships.
Christopher (Chris) Howard  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, Sharp Healthcare, San Diego, CA**  
**(Term 2020-22)**

Chris is president and chief executive officer of Sharp HealthCare. He oversees a workforce of more than 18,000 employees, 2,700 affiliated physicians and 1,800 volunteers. Sharp provides care and services in a fully integrated not-for-profit system that includes four acute-care hospitals, three specialty hospitals, three affiliated medical groups, six urgent care centers, three skilled nursing facilities, home health, hospice, state-of-the-art outpatient facilities and a health plan.

With a career that spans more than 30 years, he has worked extensively with integrated care delivery systems, hospitals, medical groups and health plans. Prior to joining Sharp, Chris served as chief operations officer for SSM Health where he ensured exceptional clinical quality, safety and service for all at SSM's hospital, medical group and major business operations in Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin and Oklahoma. He also oversaw SSM's Performance Excellence Organization and system wide responsibilities in facilities, real estate, pharmacy, laboratory and environmental and food services.

Chris holds a master's of science health care administration degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Public Health, as well as master's and bachelor's degrees from the University of Oklahoma.

Lydia Jumonville  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, SCL Health, Broomfield, CO**  
**(Term 2019-21)**

Lydia was named president and chief executive officer of SCL Health in October 2017, bringing more than 25 years of successful executive leadership experience in complex, dynamic, multi-state integrated healthcare delivery systems to her role. Lydia had served as the interim president and CEO from May 2017 through October 2017.

Lydia joined SCL Health as senior vice president and chief financial officer in June 2010, with responsibility for all financial and accounting functions as well as supply chain and real estate for the health system, ensuring the security, stewardship and growth of the system's financial resources. She played an instrumental role in the development of organizational financial policies and directed the financial reporting system responsible for producing timely and accurate data. Lydia led the strategic financial planning and budgeting processes to maximize the ministry's mission and ensure the accountability of financial outcomes.

SCL Health is a faith-based, nonprofit healthcare organization dedicated to improving the health of the people and communities they serve, especially those who are poor and vulnerable. Founded by the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth in 1864, their $2.6 billion health network provides comprehensive, coordinated care through 10 hospitals, more than 100 physician clinics, and home health, hospice, mental health and safety-net services primarily in Colorado and Montana. They relentlessly focus on delivering safe, high-quality, effective care to every patient, every time, everywhere. In 2016, SCL Health invested $257 million in community benefit —10 cents of every dollar they earned —to support health improvement in their communities.

Prior to joining SCL Health, Lydia served in a variety of progressive leadership positions, including senior vice president and chief financial officer of Baylor Health Care System, and provided consulting services for real estate and healthcare industry clients with Arthur Andersen, LLP.

Lydia earned a bachelor's degree from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, where she graduated summa cum laude, and is a certified public accountant. She serves as a board member of National Jewish Health and a number of SCL Health entity boards and holds professional memberships, including the Healthcare Financial Management Association and The Health Management Academy, among others.
Laura Kaiser  
President and Chief Executive Officer, SSM Health, St. Louis, MO  
(Term 2020-22)  
Laura joined SSM Health as president and chief executive officer in May 2017, bringing more than 30 years of experience in health care strategy, improving clinical quality, fueling innovation, managing operational performance and growth, leading change management and successfully facilitating health care integration.

She previously served as executive vice president and chief operating officer for Intermountain Healthcare. She also served at Ascension Health in a number of senior leadership roles including regional executive for the Gulf Coast/Florida region and president and CEO at Sacred Heart Health System in Pensacola, FL.

Laura currently serves on the boards of the Catholic Health Association, Nuance Communications and the Scottsdale Institute, and is a member of the St. Louis Regional Business Council. She served on the American Hospital Association Health Strategy & Innovation Committee prior to joining the Health Systems Council.

Laura earned a bachelor's of science from the University of Missouri, and a master's of business administration and a master’s of healthcare administration from Saint Louis University. She is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives, and was named in 2018 one of the “100 Most Influential People in Healthcare” by Modern Healthcare magazine.

Sarah Krevans  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Sutter Health, Sacramento, CA  
(Term 2019-21)  
Sarah is president and chief executive officer of Sutter Health, a Northern California based not-for-profit health system that cares for 3 million patients—or 1 in every 100 Americans, in one of the most diverse and innovative regions in the nation. Sarah oversees Sutter's integrated network of 14,000 clinicians, 24 hospitals, outpatient services, research facilities, and home health and hospice care.

Sutter Health has been recognized by independent organizations as a national leader in healthcare quality and advancing health equity. True to its not-for-profit mission, Sutter also provides compassionate care for more low income Medi-Cal patients than any other health system in its Northern California footprint.

Sarah has dedicated her healthcare career to finding ways to make healthcare more safe, personal, affordable and accessible. In the beginning of her career, Sarah was a caregiver for the elderly and people with severe mental illness, where she saw firsthand the impact of our broken system on patients.

Sarah was named Sutter Health’s president and CEO in January 2016. Prior to this role, she served as Sutter’s chief operating officer, regional executive officer and president of the Sutter Health Sacramento Sierra Region, and senior vice president of managed care. Previously, Sarah held executive roles at Kaiser Permanente and served as deputy director of Maine’s Bureau of Medical Services and acting director of Medicaid health planning and licensure programs.

Sarah serves on the Bay Area Council Executive Committee, American Hospital Association Health Care Systems Council, California Hospital Association Board of Directors, United States of Care Founders Council, and Sutter Health Board of Directors. She has been named as one of the “Top 25 Women Leaders” by Modern Healthcare, included on Modern Healthcare’s list of the “100 Most Influential People in Healthcare,” nominated as a “Visionary of the Year” by the San Francisco Chronicle, and named one of the “Most Influential Women in Business” by the San Francisco Business Times.

Sarah earned master’s degrees in business administration and in public health from the University of California, Berkeley, and a bachelor’s degree from Boston University.
Jonathan (Jon) S. Lewin, MD, FACR  
**President, Chief Executive Officer, and Chairman of the Board, Emory Healthcare, Atlanta, GA**  
*(Term 2019-21)*

Jon is currently the executive vice president for health affairs at Emory University; executive director for Emory’s Woodruff Health Sciences Center, and the president, CEO and chair of the board of Emory Healthcare. He also serves as professor of radiology and imaging sciences, professor of biomedical engineering, and professor of health policy and management. Emory Healthcare offers patients and families the choice of more than 2,800 physicians and 250 locations, including 11 hospitals. It is the only health system in Georgia with three Magnet-designated hospitals for nursing excellence.

Prior to his Emory appointment, Jon served as senior vice president for integrated healthcare delivery and as co-chair for strategic planning for Johns Hopkins Medicine. He was also professor and chair of the Russell H. Morgan Department of Radiology and Radiological Science at Johns Hopkins University and radiologist-in-chief at Johns Hopkins Hospital, with secondary appointments as professor of oncology, neurosurgery and biomedical engineering. Jon was the Director of the Division of Magnetic Resonance Imaging at University Hospitals of Cleveland and Professor and Vice Chairman for Research and Academic Affairs in the Department of Radiology at Case Western Reserve University.

Jon has been a pioneer in interventional and intraoperative MR imaging and has published more than 250 peer-reviewed scientific manuscripts and 60 book chapters, reviews, commentaries and other invited papers. He is also an inventor on more than 30 patents, and has been PI or co-PI on NIH and other federal and state grants with awards of more than 10 million dollars. He has served as president of the Society of Chairs of Academic Radiology Departments, American Roentgen Ray Society, the Association of University Radiologists, the International Society for Strategic Studies in Radiology, and the Academy for Radiology Research.

Jon received his undergraduate degree in chemistry from Brown University and his Doctor of Medicine from Yale University. Following his internship in pediatrics at Yale-New Haven Hospital and residency in diagnostic radiology at University Hospitals of Cleveland, he completed a magnetic resonance research fellowship in Germany, a neuroradiology fellowship at the Cleveland Clinic, and additional training in head and neck radiology at the Pittsburgh Eye and Ear Hospital.

Stephen (Steve) E. Markovich, MD  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, OhioHealth, Columbus, OH**  
*(Term 2020-22)*

Steve assumed the role of president and chief executive officer of OhioHealth in July 2019, self-described as a family of 29,000 associates, physicians and volunteers, and a network of 12 hospitals, 200+ ambulatory sites, hospice, home health, medical equipment and other health services spanning 47 Ohio counties.

Steve also served as president of OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital and before that held a variety of roles at Riverside Methodist, including chief operating officer, vice president of clinical services, associate medical director, and associate and assistant director of the Family Practice Residency program. He served as senior vice president for acute care operations overseeing OhioHealth’s central and regional hospital operations and, most recently, as executive vice president of OhioHealth.

In addition to his career in medicine, Steve has a laudable military career. He retired from his role as a major general and Commander of Ohio’s 5000 member Air National Guard in December 2018. Prior to that, he held a number of positions, including the Ohio Air National Guard’s chief of staff and the State Air Surgeon, the senior medical officer responsible for integrating state and national Air Guard leadership with all medical units within the state. With an extensive military background, he has logged more than 2,000 flying hours as a fighter pilot, completed three overseas deployments to the Middle East and has led the development of the medical-response task force that responds to medical disasters in the State of Ohio.

Steve is also a teacher, author and national speaker. He has been active on several boards, including JOBS Ohio, the United Way of Central Ohio and the Simon Kenton Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He is a diplomat on the American Board of Family Practice and a member of the American Academy of Family Practice.
Steve earned a bachelor’s of science in engineering from the University of Michigan and a master’s of business administration from Wright State University in Dayton. After earning a Doctor of Medicine degree from The Ohio State University College of Medicine, he completed his residency in family medicine at Riverside Methodist, where he practiced as a family and emergency physician and served as clinical assistant professor in the Department of Family Medicine at The Ohio State University.

Dennis M. Murphy  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Indiana University Health, Indianapolis, IN  
(Term 2018-20)

Dennis is president and chief executive office of IU Health, the largest integrated healthcare system in Indiana and one of the largest in the country, with 33,000 employees and operating revenue of $6.2 billion.

Named president in 2015 and CEO in 2016, Dennis joined IU Health in 2013 as chief operating officer. He has guided IU Health as it builds a larger market role in value-based care, enhanced outpatient care networks, telemedicine and population health measures, including statewide behavioral health and infant mortality initiatives. Under Dennis, IU Health expanded Indiana’s only full-service, statewide pediatric healthcare system, Riley Children’s Health, while enhancing patient care and efficiency gains through Lean process-improvement programs across the hospital system. Workplace initiatives under Dennis have created a more flexible, cross-trained and culturally diverse workforce.

Dennis has spent his career at academic health centers, blending comprehensive patient care with medical training and research. He previously worked in administrative positions in Chicago at Northwestern Medicine and University of Chicago Medicine, and in Baltimore at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Dennis serves on the boards Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, 500 Festival, Indiana Hospital Association, IU Health Foundation, Riley Children’s Foundation, Central Indiana Corporate Partnership (CICP), National Bank of Indianapolis, and Indiana Health Information Exchange (IHIE). He is a member of the American Hospital Association (AHA) Health Care Systems Council and chairs the AHA’s Price Transparency Task Force.

A native of Chicago, Dennis earned a bachelor of arts degree from University of Notre Dame and a master of healthcare administration degree from Duke University. He is an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Health Policy and Management at Indiana University Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health.

Philip O. Ozuah, MD, PhD  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Montefiore Medicine, Bronx, NY  
(Term 2020-22)

Dr. Ozuah is the President and CEO of Montefiore Medicine, the umbrella organization for Montefiore Health System and Albert Einstein College of Medicine. A nationally recognized physician, leader, executive, researcher, teacher and author, Dr. Ozuah previously served as President of Montefiore Health System. A National Institutes of Health (NIH)–funded researcher and award-winning educator, he also served as Professor and University Chairman of Pediatrics at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Physician-in-Chief of Children’s Hospital at Montefiore (CHAM).

In these roles, Dr. Ozuah expanded access for underserved communities, recruited and cultivated outstanding talent, advanced programs of excellence, fostered innovations in medical education, and improved financial and operational performance by integrating care across a rapidly growing and evolving Montefiore system that sees over six million patient interactions a year. Under his leadership, Montefiore Health System’s specialties ranked in the top 1 percent of the nation’s hospitals, and CHAM was recognized as one of “America’s Best Children’s Hospitals” according to U.S. News & World Report.

Dr. Ozuah has been recognized locally and nationally for excellence in teaching and patient care, including as an inductee into the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society and a two-time recipient of the Academic Pediatric Association’s prestigious Helfer Award for Innovation in Medical Education. Along with his various awards for
teaching and clinical excellence, Dr. Ozuah has also been recognized by Modern Healthcare as one of the “Top 25 COOs in Healthcare.”
Dr. Ozuah earned his medical degree from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, a Master’s Degree in Education from the University of Southern California and a PhD in Educational Leadership and Administration from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. He completed his Pediatric Internship and Residency at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Montefiore, and his Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Medical Education at the University of Southern California School of Medicine.

Timothy (Tim) Pehrson
President and Chief Executive Officer, INTEGRIS Health, Oklahoma City, OK
(Term 2020-22)
Tim is the president and chief executive officer of INTEGRIS, Oklahoma’s largest not-for-profit and Oklahoma-owned clinically integrated health care system and part of the Mayo Clinic Care Network.

He comes to Oklahoma from Intermountain Healthcare where he held numerous operational and executive leadership roles for many years. Most recently, Tim served in a dual role as regional vice president and CEO for the North Region and vice president of continuous improvement for the entire health system. In his role as CEO of the North Region, he was the market leader of a five-hospital region in Utah and Idaho. He played a pivotal role in the effort to integrate clinical services and functional areas. Those hospitals were recognized as “Truven 100 Top Hospitals” 12 times, and one of them received the Everest Award, which was given to 17 hospitals across the country that have the highest performance and the fastest long-term growth over five years. As vice president of continuous improvement, he designed and implemented the system’s enterprise-wide efforts to drive caregiver engagement and strong performance in safety, quality, patient experience, access, costs and growth.

Tim received his master’s of science degree in health services administration from the University of Michigan. He graduated from Brigham Young University with a bachelor of arts degree in History.

Dennis W. Pullin, FACHE
President and Chief Executive Officer, Virtua Health, Marlton, NJ
(Term 2020-22)
Dennis is president and chief executive officer of Virtua Health, South Jersey’s largest health system with 2,850 affiliated doctors and 13,000-plus employees providing comprehensive care at five hospitals and more than 250 other locations.

Prior to 2017, Dennis had been president of MedStar Harbor Hospital and senior vice president of MedStar Health; senior vice president and chief operating officer at MedStar Washington Hospital Center; vice president of operations and business development at St. Luke’s Episcopal Health System; and vice president of acquisitions and development at Symbion Healthcare, Inc.

Dennis serves on the New Jersey Hospital Association Board of Trustees and the Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey Board of Directors. A Fellow and past Regent of the American College of Healthcare Executives, Dennis has served on the board of Healthcare for the Homeless, Houston Regional HIV/AIDS Resource Group, American Heart Association, DePelchin Children's Center, and College of Health Professions at Towson University. He is past chair of the American Hospital Association’s Metropolitan Hospitals Council, a past member of the Maryland Hospital Association’s Council on Legislative and Regulatory Policy, and has served as an adjunct professor at Texas Lutheran University and Towson University. Dennis is a past Fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine and a Hall of Fame Inductee of the Edgewood Independent School District in San Antonio.

In 2019, the Philadelphia Business Journal honored Dennis with two distinguished awards — Most Admired CEO and one of the 2019 Power 100 list of most influential people in the region. In 2018, Modern Healthcare recognized him as one of the nation’s Top 25 Minority Executives in Healthcare and he received the Distinguished Healthcare Leadership Award from the National Association of Health Services Executives. He was chosen as one of South Jersey Biz’s 50 Most Influential Businesspeople in 2019 and 2018, and Top CEOs/CFOs in 2017.
Dennis received his bachelor’s degree at Texas Lutheran University and earned a master’s of science degree at Texas A&M University.

Robert (Bob) Sehring  
Chief Executive Officer, OSF Healthcare System, Peoria, IL  
(Term 2018-20)  
Bob is chief executive officer of OSF HealthCare, a 13 hospital integrated health system owned and operated by The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis. OSF HealthCare also operates two colleges of nursing, a physician enterprise employing 761 physicians in various specialties and 586 advanced practitioners, and an extensive network of home health services and health care related businesses.  

Bob joined OSF in 2002 as vice president for business support services at OSF HealthPlans until he was promoted to CEO of that organization in 2004. Following the sale of OSF HealthPlans to Humana, he served as CEO of ambulatory services working with hospitals and physician organizations in establishing new or expanded ambulatory centers. In 2011, his responsibilities were expanded to accountable care and he was instrumental in orchestrating the successful application to the Center for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS) Innovation for OSF to be selected one of 32 CMS Pioneer Accountable Care Organizations (ACO). In 2013, he was appointed chief ministry services officer overseeing various Ministry-wide services including supply chain, facilities management and construction, human resources, and employer services.  

In 2015 he became CEO of the Central Region, which encompasses much of Central Illinois and includes all of the Ministry’s programs, services and facilities – both acute and ambulatory – in the communities and surrounding areas. In January 2017, Bob was appointed chief operating officer overseeing all inpatient, outpatient, and ambulatory operations. In addition, he was responsible for all ministry support services. He served in this role until October 2017 when he was appointed the chief executive officer. Prior to joining OSF, Bob held various executive positions with Aetna, New York Life, and Metropolitan Life Insurance.  

Bob earned his bachelor’s of business administration degree in public accounting from Hofstra University, Uniondale, New York.

Michael (Mike) Slubowski, FACHE, FACMPE  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Trinity Health, Livonia, MI  
(Term 2020-22)  
Mike, president and chief executive officer, Trinity Health provides executive leadership to the 22-state, 92-hospital Catholic health system, serves on the Trinity Health Board of Directors, and has full accountability for the overall achievement, advancement, and success of the system.  

Immediately prior to this role, Mike served as the system’s president and chief operating officer, overseeing all system operations, and focusing on ensuring that people, processes, IT systems and resources were in place to achieve successful operations.  

His more than 40 years as a health care executive include tenures as president and CEO of Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth Health System, in Colorado, as president, Health Networks, for Trinity Health before its 2013 merger with Catholic Health East, and in executive leadership positions at health systems including Henry Ford Health System in Detroit, Michigan; Samaritan Health Services in Phoenix, Arizona; and Providence Hospital in Southfield, Michigan.  

Mike holds a bachelor’s degree in business administration and a master’s degree in business administration from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. He completed advanced health care leadership training through an Advanced Leadership Institute conducted by the University of Michigan School of Business and sponsored by the National Center for Healthcare Leadership. He also holds fellowships in the American College of Healthcare Executives and the American College of Medical Practice Executives.
M. Shane Spees  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, North Mississippi Health Services, Inc., Tupelo, MS**  
*(Term 2018-20)*

Shane is the president and chief executive officer of North Mississippi Health Services (NMHS). Previously, he served as president and CEO, Baptist Health System in Birmingham, from 2007-2013, and worked in Texas, where he was president from 2004-2007 of Valley Baptist Hospital Holdings, Inc., which serves the Rio Grande Valley, and senior vice president and chief executive officer of Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen, all of which are part of Valley Baptist Health System. Shane held several leadership roles within the Memorial Hermann Healthcare System, which serves the greater Houston area and much of Southeast Texas, from 1995-2004.

North Mississippi Health Services serves 24 counties in north Mississippi and northwest Alabama from headquarters in Tupelo, Miss. NMHS includes acute diagnostic and therapeutic services offered through North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo; a community hospital system with locations in *Eupora, Luka, Pontotoc* and *West Point, Miss.*, and *Hamilton Ala.*; North Mississippi Medical Clinics, a regional network of more than 45 primary and specialty clinics; and nursing homes, telehealth services and a comprehensive portfolio of managed care plans. NMHS is a 2012 recipient of the prestigious Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, and NMMC, its flagship hospital, is a 2006 Baldrige Award recipient.

Shane received his master's degree in health care administration from the University of Houston at Clear Lake in 1997, where he was recognized for academic and leadership excellence. Shane graduated from the University of Mississippi with a bachelor of public administration degree in 1992 and the University of Mississippi School of Law with his J.D. in 1995. He was admitted to the Mississippi Bar in 1995. Shane is currently serving as Chairman of the Mississippi Hospital Association and is an active member of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

Mark A. Sullivan, FACHE  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, Catholic Health System, Buffalo, NY**  
*(Term 2019-21)*

Mark was appointed president and chief executive officer of Catholic Health System in 2018, having been with the system since its inception, most recently serving as executive vice president and chief operating officer since 2007. He is the fourth president and CEO in Catholic Health’s 20-year history. Mark has administrative responsibility for annual revenues of more than $1.2 billion and leads a team of more than 9,000 associates, while working closely with Catholic Medical Partners to help strengthen the system’s relationship with its nearly 1,600 affiliated physicians.

Mark’s 25-year professional career has been spent in Catholic affiliated healthcare organizations, with extensive experience across the healthcare continuum, leading acute care, primary care, home care, and continuing care operations as well as providing oversight for Quality and Performance Improvement. He joined Mercy Home Care of WNY as director of Business Operations in 1994. Following the formation of Catholic Health, Mark was named director of Operations for Home Health in 2000 and served as CEO of the division from 2003-2007. He also served as interim CEO of the system’s Continuing Care division in 2013.

Mark presently serves on the board of the Buffalo Niagara Partnership Board of Directors, the Racial Equity Business Leaders Task Force and the Healthcare Association of New York State (HANYS) Board of Trustees. He is a fellow of the American College of Health Care Executives (FACHE), a Health Care Transformation fellow and mentor for the American Hospital Association, and is a Certified Home and Hospice Care Executive (CHCE). He recently retired from the Erie County Sheriff’s Office Scientific Staff Reserve after 13 years of service, where as a deputy he volunteered for various community details and served in the Sheriff’s Honor Guard. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Home Care Association of New York State and was a member of its Policy Council.

Mark holds a bachelor’s degree in political science/criminal justice and a master’s degree in public administration and health care management from Canisius College.
Saumya (Saum) Sutaria, M.D.  
President and Chief Operating Officer, Tenet Healthcare, Dallas, TX  
(Term 2019-21)

Saum serves as Tenet’s president and chief operating officer. His responsibilities span the enterprise, and he reports to Ron Rittenmeyer who is Tenet’s Executive Chairman and CEO.

Tenet Healthcare is a national diversified healthcare services company headquartered in Dallas with 110,000 employees and $18 billion in revenues. Through an expansive care network that includes United Surgical Partners International, Tenet operates 65 hospitals and approximately 500 other healthcare facilities, including surgical hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, urgent care and imaging centers and other care sites and clinics. The company also operates Conifer Health Solutions, which provides revenue cycle management and value-based care services to hospitals, health systems, physician practices, employers and other customers.

Prior to joining Tenet as COO in January 2019, Saum worked for McKinsey & Company for 18 years as an advisor to leading healthcare and private equity organizations. He previously held an associate clinical faculty appointment at the University of California at San Francisco, where he also engaged in postgraduate training with a focus in internal medicine and cardiology.

Saum received his medical degree from the University of California, San Diego. He also received a bachelor’s degree in molecular and cellular biology and a bachelor’s degree in economics, both from the University of California, Berkeley.

Kevin Tabb, MD  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Beth Israel Lahey Health, Cambridge, MA  
(Term 2020-22)

Kevin is the president and chief executive officer of Beth Israel Lahey Health (BILH), a new health care system that brings together academic medical centers and teaching hospitals, community and specialty hospitals, more than 4,000 physicians and 35,000 employees in a shared mission to expand access to great care and advance the science and practice of medicine through groundbreaking research and education.

Previously, Kevin was the chief executive officer of the Beth Israel Deaconess system and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC). Before coming to BIDMC, Kevin was Chief Medical Officer at Stanford Hospital & Clinics in Stanford, California. There, he had broad strategic and operational responsibilities, which included physician network strategy, clinical quality and patient safety initiatives, regulatory and medical staff affairs, and graduate and continuing medical education. He was previously Chief Quality and Medical Information Officer at Stanford. Prior to joining Stanford, Kevin led the Clinical Data Service Division of GE Healthcare IT.

Raised in Berkeley, California, Kevin emigrated to Israel at the age of 18 and served in the Israel Defense Forces, the country’s military service. He received his undergraduate degree from Hebrew University in Jerusalem and his medical degree from the Hebrew University Hadassah Medical School. He completed his residency in internal medicine at Hadassah Hospital.

Troy Wells  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Baptist Health, Little Rock, AR  
(Term 2018-20)

Troy is the president and chief executive officer of Baptist Health, the largest health-care system in Arkansas comprised of nine hospitals, a large integrated physician enterprise, a retirement village and long term care facility, state-wide home health and hospice agencies, a joint venture Health Maintenance Organization, and multiple for-profit subsidiaries. He assumed the role of chief executive in June 2014 becoming only the third person to hold this title since World War II. Troy joined Baptist Health in 2006 and since that time held many roles including Vice President of Clinical Services, Vice President of
Practice Plus, Chief Executive Officer of Arkansas Health Group, and Senior Vice President of Administrative Services.

Troy is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, the Arkansas Executives Forum, Young Presidents Organization, and Fifty for the Future. He serves as a director on multiple boards including Goodwill Industries of Arkansas, Parkway Village Inc., the American Hospital Association Health Care Systems Council, the alumni chapter of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, the Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce, Healthy Active Arkansas, and the Downtown Rotary Club of Little Rock.

Troy earned a master’s degree in health services administration from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and a bachelor’s degree in microbiology from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

Albert L. Wright
President and Chief Executive Officer, West Virginia University Health System, Morgantown, WV
(Term 2018-20)
Albert is the president and chief executive officer of the West Virginia University Health System and West Virginia University Hospitals. The West Virginia University Health System, which operates under the name WVU Medicine, is West Virginia’s largest employer and the state’s leading provider of advanced specialty care.

Before joining the Health System in September 2014, he served in a variety of senior-level leadership positions at some of the nation’s most prestigious healthcare systems and academic medical centers, including OhioHealth and UPMC.

Since his appointment as CEO, Albert has led a fundamental transformation of the Health System, moving it from a holding company to a fully integrated healthcare financing and delivery network. Through a combination of acquisitions, management agreements and clinical affiliations, he has grown the system to a network of 17 hospitals while significantly expanding both the tertiary and quaternary care — focused primarily in the areas of heart and vascular, cancer, and neuroscience — offered at the system’s flagship 700-bed academic medical center in Morgantown, West Virginia. Under his leadership, the Health System is also building a 150-bed Children’s Hospital that will open in 2021.

Albert obtained his bachelor of science in pharmacy degree at the University of Toledo, a master of health administration at The Ohio State University, and his doctor of pharmacy at the University of Florida. He is involved in several charitable and civic organizations, serves on several boards, and is a soccer coach on the weekends.