

## Becker's Hospital Review Names 50 Rural Hospital CEOs to Know

CHICAGO — *Becker's Hospital Review* has published its list of "50 Rural Hospital CEOs to Know," which features some of the most impressive leaders dedicated to advancing healthcare in small towns and rural communities.

Individuals included on the list include CEOs and administrators of hospitals located outside of a major metropolitan areas or healthcare hubs. This is the second edition of the "Rural Hospital CEOs to Know" list.

The *Becker's Hospital Review* editorial team selected leaders through an editorial review process where a number of factors were considered, including awards received; local, regional and national leadership positions held; and their organizations' recent performance. Nominations were also considered.

The list of "50 Rural Hospital CEOs to Know" includes the following leaders:

John Ayoub. Administrator and CEO of Melissa Memorial Hospital (Holyoke, Colo.)

Duke Anderson. President and CEO of Hillsdale (Mich.) Community Health Center

Joann Anderson. President and CEO of Southeastern Health (Lumberton, N.C.)

Eric Barber. President and CEO of Mary Lanning Healthcare (Hastings, Neb.)

Paul Bengtson. CEO of Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital (Saint Johnsbury)

Gary Black. President and CEO of Lenoir Memorial Hospital (Kinston, N.C.)

Donna Boatright, RN. Administrator of Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital (Sweetwater, Texas)

Holly Bristoll. President of ProMedica Fostoria (Ohio) Community Hospital

Harry Brockus. CEO of Hoopston (Ill.) Regional Health Center

Nicole Clapp. President and CEO of Grant Regional Health Center (Lancaster, Wis.)

Rick Davis. CEO of Central Peninsula Hospital (Soldotna, Alaska)

Kris Doody, RN. CEO of Cary Medical Center (Caribou, Maine)

Sue Downs. President of Flaget Memorial Hospital (Bardstown, Ky.)

Desiree Einsweiler. Administrator and CEO of Palo Alto County Health System (Emmetsburg, Iowa)

John Gallagher. CEO of Sunnyside (Wash.) Community Hospital & Clinics

Rachel Gonzales, RN. CEO of Madison Memorial Hospital (Rexburg, Idaho)

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Michael Gowder, DDS. CEO of Union General Hospital (Blairsville, Ga.)

Margot Hartmann, MD, PhD. President and CEO of Nantucket (Mass.) Cottage Hospital

Mark Herzog. President and CEO of Holy Family Memorial (Manitowoc, Wis.)

Jeff Hill. CEO of Steele Memorial Medical Center (Salmon, Idaho)

Loy Howard. President and CEO of Tanner Health System (Carrollton, Ga.)

Terri Kane. Administrator and CEO of Dixie Regional Medical Center (St. George, Utah)

Thomas Keim. CEO of Ste. Genevieve (Mo.) County Memorial Hospital

David Keith. President and CEO of McAlester (Okla.) Regional Health Center

Harold Krueger. CEO of Chadron (Neb.) Community Hospital & Health Services

Laura Lambeth. CEO of Ashe Memorial Hospital (Jefferson, N.C.)

Thomas Leach. Administrator and CEO of Lakeside Medical Center (Belle Glade, Fla.)

William Mahone. CEO of Halifax Regional Medical Center (Roanoke Rapids, N.C.)

Steve Massey, President and CEO of Westfields Hospital & Clinic (New Richmond, Wis.)

Michelle McEwen. President and CEO of Speare Memorial Hospital (Plymouth, N.H.)

Kim Miller. President and CEO of Beaver Dam (Wis.) Community Hospitals

Ron Ott. President and CEO of Fitzgibbon Hospital (Marshall, Mo.)

Mary Ellen Pratt. CEO of St. James Parish Hospital (Lutcher, La.)

Jayne Pope, RN. CEO of Hill Country Memorial Hospital (Fredericksburg, Texas)

Chandler M. Ralph. President and CEO of Adirondack Medical Center (Saranac Lake, N.Y.)

Steven Rose, RN. President and CEO of Nanticoke Health Services (Seaford, Del.)

Maria Ryan, PhD, APRN. CEO of Cottage Hospital (Woodsville, N.H.)

John Rossfeld. CEO of The Memorial Hospital at Craig (Colo.)

Rob Schmitt. CEO of Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services (Gibson City, Ill.)

Larry Schroeder. CEO of Sauk Prairie Memorial Hospital (Prairie du Sac, Wis.)

Emmett Schuster. President and CEO of Gibson General Hospital (Princeton, Ind.)

Dennis Shelby. CEO of Wilson Medical Center (Neodesha, Kan.)

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John Solheim. CEO of Cuyuna Regional  
Medical Center (Crosby, Minn.)

Susan Starling. President and CEO of  
Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital  
(Irvine, Ky.)

Paul Stewart, President and CEO of Sky  
Lakes Medical Center (Klamath Falls,  
Ore.)

Philip Stuart. CEO of Tomah (Wis.)  
Memorial Hospital

Paul Taylor, JD. CEO of Ozark  
Community Hospital (Springfield, Mo.)

Larry Veitz. CEO of Spearfish (S.D.)  
Regional Hospital

Stephen Wolfe. President and CEO of  
Indiana (Pa.) Regional Medical Center

Rand Wortman. President and CEO of  
Kadlec Regional Medical Center  
(Richland, Wash.)

**The full list can be read here:** [http://www.beckershospitalreview.com/lists/50-rural-hospitals-ceos-to-know-2015.html?utm\\_source=PR&utm\\_medium=PR&utm\\_campaign=Rural\\_CEO\\_2015](http://www.beckershospitalreview.com/lists/50-rural-hospitals-ceos-to-know-2015.html?utm_source=PR&utm_medium=PR&utm_campaign=Rural_CEO_2015)

**Note:** Leaders did not and cannot pay to be included on the list. Individuals are presented in alphabetical order.

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