

The Future of Healthcare Governance Meeting Board Challenges in Unforgiving Times!

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Industry Leaders Interviewed

- ▲ **Dennis Barry, FACHE, CEO Emeritus**
Moses Cone Health System
- ▲ **Howard Berman, LFACHE, Former President/CEO;**
Excellus Blue Cross
- ▲ **Fred Brown, LFACHE, Former CEO;**
BJC Health System
- ▲ **John Coleman, COO,**
NCI Consulting
- ▲ **Michael Connelly, FACHE, President/CEO**
Catholic Health Partners
- ▲ **Vince Conti, Former CEO;**
Maine Medical Center
- ▲ **Duane Dauner, FACHE, President/CEO;**
California Hospital Association
- ▲ **Tom Dolan, FACHE, President/CEO;**
American College of Healthcare
- ▲ **David Fine, FACHE, President/CEO;**
St. Luke's Episcopal Health System
- ▲ **Teri Fontenot, FACHE, President/CEO;**
Woman's Hospital
- ▲ **Jeff Fried, FACHE, President/CEO**
Beebe Medical Center
- ▲ **Michelle Hood, FACHE, President/CEO;**
Eastern Maine Medical Center
- ▲ **Gary Kaplan, M.D., President/CEO;**
Virginia Mason Health System
- ▲ **Bill Kelley, HFACHE, Chairman Emeritus;**
Hill-Rom Co Inc.



Industry Leaders Interviewed

- ◆ **John King, LFACHE, Chairman Emeritus;**
Legacy Health System
- ◆ **John Lloyd, FACHE, President/CEO**
Meridian Health Systems
- ◆ **Steve Loeb, Ph.D., Former Chairman, Graduate Program in Health Services Management;** Ohio State University
- ◆ **Bruce McPherson, President and CEO**
Alliance for Advancing Nonprofit Health Care
- ◆ **Jim Mead, Former President/CEO;**
Capital BlueCross
- ◆ **Mark Neaman, FACHE, President/CEO**
NorthShore University HealthSystem
- ◆ **Scott Parker, LFACHE, Former CEO;**
Intermountain Health Care System
- ◆ **Doug Peters, Former President/CEO;**
Jefferson Health System
- ◆ **David Ramsey, LFACHE, President/CEO**
Charleston Area Medical Center Health System
- ◆ **Tom Sadvary, FACHE, President/CEO**
Scottsdale Healthcare
- ◆ **J. Knox Singleton, President/CEO**
Inova Health Systems
- ◆ **Glenn Steele, M.D., Ph.D., President/CEO;**
Geisinger Health System
- ◆ **Richard A. Umbdenstock, FACHE; President/CEO**
American Hospital Association
- ◆ **Don Wegmiller, FACHE, Chairman Emeritus;**
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CHANGE

“Every few hundred years, throughout Western history, a sharp transformation has occurred. In a matter of decades, society altogether rearranges itself: its world view, its basic values, its social and political structures, its arts, its key institutions. Fifty years later, a new world exists, and the people born into that world cannot even imagine the world in which their grandparents lived and into which their own parents were born. Our age is such a period of transformation.”

Peter Drucker, *“Managing in a Time of Great Change”*





THE FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE GOVERNANCE

Meeting Board Challenges in Unforgiving Times!



**“He who uses a
crystal ball, eats a
lot of ground
glass.”**





Board Size

- ◆ **Healthcare boards will *become smaller and fewer in number***
- **Most boards are still too big!**
- **Larger boards mean -**
 - More “***social loafing***”
 - ***Less accountability***
 - ***Less*** sense of ***ownership***
 - ***Less*** active discussion and ***engagement***
 - ***Less preparedness*** for meetings
 - ***Less*** director ***satisfaction***
 - ***Less nimble; slow to take action***
- ***Pressure to improve governance performance will lead to smaller boards***



Complex Clinical Enterprises

◆ Boards will govern larger and *more complex clinical enterprises*

□ Drivers –

- **Consolidation** in the industry (payers and providers) ***will accelerate: Scale Matters!***
- **Economic pressures**
 - ✓ Revenue constraints
 - ✓ Margins squeezed
 - ✓ Sales tax/property tax exemption issues
- **Increased focus** on the ***entire continuum of care***
 - ✓ ***Hospital - physician integration***
 - ✓ ***Accountable Care Organizations***
 - ✓ ***Insurance risk integration***
 - ✓ ***Managing the health of defined populations***

➤ ***This transformation will serve as a catalyst to upgrade governance***



Enterprise Risk Management

- ◆ **Boards will embrace *enterprise risk management***
 - Strategic
 - Operational
 - Financial
 - Compliance
 - Security

- ***Drivers -***
 - ***Fewer economic safety nets***
 - ***Physician hospital integration***
 - ***Size and complexity*** of the enterprise
 - ***Electronic Health Records (data breeches)***
 - ***Pressure for reporting quality metrics*** may result in ***more fraud!***



□ *Drivers (cont'd) –*

- *HIPAA privacy and security risks*
- *High turnover of personnel*
- *Outsourcing of services*
- *Changes in economic, political, regulatory and social landscape*
- Risk of the “*unexpected crisis,*” e.g.,

AHERF

Allina

Beebe Medical Ctr.

Fairview

Highmark

NY Hospital for Special Surgery

Parkland Health and Hospital System

Penn State

Univ. of Miami School of Medicine

Univ. of Texas Southwestern Med. Ctr.



- ***Responsibility*** for risk oversight lies ***with the full board*** with an ***intense focus on Value Killers!***

- ***What don't we know. . . . that we should know?***



Composition

- ◆ ***Boards will include directors with more sophisticated skills, e.g., Business, Finance, IT, Marketing, **Systems integration, Clinical, Population health, chronic illness care, public health, epidemiology, etc.*****

- ***Drivers –***
 - ***Increased focus on the **clinical enterprise*****
 - ✓ ***More CEOs will be physicians or have **other clinical background*****
 - ✓ ***Patient centeredness***
 - ✓ ***Quality and safety***



□ *Drivers (cont'd) –*

- Emphasis on ***director independence***, “***outside***” directors, “***industry experts***”

- ***Focus on:***
 - ✓ ***ACA requires*** hospitals to conduct ***community needs assessments*** every three years with implementation strategies

 - ✓ ***Physician integration***

 - ✓ ***Insurance risk***, e.g., shift to pay-for-performance, bundled payments, population-based payments



- ***Accountability for the health status of defined populations*** is where we are headed
- ***Board composition is driven by Vision & Strategy*** of the enterprise



Diversity

◆ Boards will *become more diverse*

- Racial
- Gender
- Ethnic
- Geographic

□ Drivers –

- *Vision, strategy & demography*
- *Social pressures*
- *Recent presidential election results* (America.....the new “melting pot”)
- Watch *Europe’s* push for *mandatory quotas for women*
- *Quotas are law* in France, Spain, Netherlands, Norway, Belgium and Italy



Diversity

- ***Diversity helps the board to –***
 - Better ***understand the issues*** faced by the organization
 - Have a mix of perspectives to ***deliberate the strategic imperatives*** of the enterprise

- ***Diversity will only happen when board leadership makes it a priority***

- ***But finding directors with right skills and experience continues to be a top priority!***



◆ **Boards will *become more transparent***

□ ***Drivers –***

- ***Internet*** and ***24/7 media*** attention
- ***New IRS Form 990***
- ***Hospital Compare*** – CMS quality data initiative on 4000 hospitals
- ***Physician – CMS Quality Reporting Program***
- Aggressive ***States Attorneys General***
- ***Pressure from government, consumer and purchaser groups***



Transparency

□ *Drivers (cont'd)*

- ***Disclosure mandates***; e.g., executive compensation
- Non-binding ***resolutions***; e.g., “Say on Pay”
- The ***public will demand it!***
- *Transparency around quality, safety, customer service, pricing*
- ***Need to demonstrate the “Value Proposition”*** for the community; i.e.,
 - ✓ ***Wellness and disease prevention***
 - ✓ ***Better health outcomes/better patient experiences/ lower costs***



- ***Transparency builds trust*** inside and outside the organization!
- ***If you have nothing to hide. . . . transparency is not an enemy!***



CEO Succession

- ◆ **CEO succession will become more of a priority**
- ◆ **Less than 20% of hospitals and health systems *have a good succession plan in place***

□ **Drivers -**

- **CEO turnover at an all-time high**
 - Nearly **1 in 4 hospitals has had 3 or 4 CEOs** in the past five years
- **40% of new CEOs fail within 18 months**
- **A poor choice of CEO can be costly and embarrassing**
 - **CEOs recruited from outside retain ≤ 30%** of senior executives
 - **Boards are** being held **accountable** for the **failure** of their CEOs
- **Limited pool** of highly-qualified CEO candidates



- ***Good governance requires it!***
- ***High-performing organizations have good track records of promoting from within***
- **Succession planning is a *fundamental responsibility of the board***
- ***Successful transitions rarely just happen*; they require careful planning by the Board and the CEO**



Continuous Improvement

- ◆ ***Best practices will become the norm***
- ***Drivers -***
 - ***Pressure on performance of the enterprise from:***
 - ✓ ***Debt rating agencies***
 - ✓ ***Government***
 - ✓ ***States Attorneys General***
 - ✓ ***Joint Commission***
 - ✓ ***Insurance companies***
 - ***Changing regulations***
 - ***Risk of liability***
 - ***Risk of embarrassment***
 - ***Board education***
 - ***Public expectations***



Continuous Improvement

- ***Ongoing evaluation*** and improvement ***using “hard metrics”*** as a critical path to excellence
- More ***robust governance committees*** will drive adoption of ***best practices***
- ***High performing boards*** will promote ***“intentional governance”*** that embracing ***best practices***



Scarcity of Directors

◆ **Highly-qualified directors will be difficult to find**

□ **Drivers -**

- Board work **requires more time** than ten years ago
- **New rigors and risks** of board membership
- Personal **liability** concerns
- More scrutiny re: **“conflict of interest issues”**
- More **CEOs consumed** in their **“day jobs”**
- **Board-imposed limits** on **outside board participation**
- **Reputational risk – hospital/health system scandals**

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Compensation

- ◆ **More boards of larger health system *will compensate directors***

- **Drivers –**
 - ***Time*** commitment ***required***
 - A ***limited pool*** of highly competent candidates
 - Increasing focus on ***independence***
 - Need to recruit directors who possess ***unique skills***
 - The ***value*** of appointing “***outside directors*”/industry experts**
 - ***Competition for best candidates***



- The ***decision*** of whether to compensate is ***unique to the culture*** of every organization and ***should be carefully considered before deciding***
- ***The real value in compensating directors*** is in the ***“social contract”*** it establishes with the board



Boards will be more accountable for the performance of the enterprise

- ◆ *Cost*
- ◆ *Quality*
- ◆ *Safety*
- ◆ *Community benefit*
- ◆ *Population health*

- *Drivers*
 - *ACA*
 - *ACO's*
 - *More transparency*



□ *Drivers (cont'd)*

- *Government agencies*
- *Regulators*
- *Joint Commission*
- *Rating agencies* evaluating debt
- *Insurers* writing *D&O insurance*
- *More assertive* and discerning *consumers*



- ***Accountability requires boards to look at all elements of the operation from a risk perspective***
- ***Hospital and health system boards will incur increasing scrutiny relative to their performance and best practices!***



CONCLUSION

“Boards (will) need to assure they *have a robust capacity for regular self examination* and *willingness to change* ahead of any major crisis so they can lead their organizations as the industry around them transforms.”

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“Good enough simply
isn’t good enough!”



QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION



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