

DAVID H. VELLINGA
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

David H. (Dave) Vellinga is President & Chief Executive Officer for Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa – an operation that includes 917 licensed acute beds on three campuses— Mercy Medical Center, Mercy Capitol and Mercy Franklin— and Mercy Medical Center – Centerville, a 54-bed hospital. The system also includes extensive long-term care, a nursing home, assisted living, independent living, and Mercy Hospice, as well as four urgent care, four quick care and 37 primary and specialty care clinics, 18 rural affiliate facilities, and employs more than 6600 employees with a medical staff of more than 800 physicians and allied health professionals. Dave also serves as CEO for Mercy Health Network, a joint operating venture between Trinity Health of Novi, Michigan, and Catholic Health Initiatives, and is responsible for healthcare systems in Des Moines, Sioux City, North Iowa (Mason City), Clinton, and Dubuque. Dave is on the Board of Directors for Trinity Health International in Farmington Hills, Michigan, having served as President and Chairman of the Board 1993-2007.

Prior to beginning in Des Moines on January 1, 1999, Dave served as President & CEO for North Iowa Mercy Medical Center in Mason City, Iowa. North Iowa was formed as a result of a 1993 merger of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital— for which Dave was President & CEO—and North Iowa Medical Center, both in Mason City. Dave served in various administrative roles at Mercy and with the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics in Iowa City.

A graduate of Northwestern College, Orange City, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration, Dave holds a Masters Degree in Hospital and Health Care Administration from the University of Iowa. Many professional associations and civic activities reflect Dave’s energy and passion in the area of health care in Iowa. Honors include being recognized as one of the ten “Emerging Leaders in Healthcare” by the Healthcare Forum (1990) and being named the recipient of the Iowa Hospital Association’s “Ship’s Wheel” award in 1991.

Dave is married and resides in Clive, a suburb of Des Moines, with his wife, Nancy. Daughter, Megan, is a graduate student at the University of Southern California. Daughter, Jill, a graduate of the University of Iowa, is married and lives in Ankeny; she and her husband have two daughters. Son Nathan, holds a degree from Cornell College and a Master’s Degree from the University of Colorado in Boulder. Outside of family, Dave’s interests include long distance running, community involvement and international health services.