

Primaris welcomes Patrick Carron to Board of Directors

Primaris announced Patrick E. Carron, MHA, FACHE, of Perryville, to its board of directors. The nonprofit Primaris serves as Missouri's Medicare Quality Improvement Organization.

"Primaris is proud and honored to welcome Patrick Carron to our board of directors. In this position, he helps represent Missouri's hospitals in a group of men and women, physicians and patient advocates leading medical improvements across Missouri," said Richard A. Royer, CEO of Primaris.

Currently President/Chief Executive Officer at Perry County Health System, Mr. Carron began his career in healthcare as an RN at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis University and St. Anthony's Hospital. He joined Perry County Memorial Hospital in July, 1993 as the Vice President of Operation/Assistant Administrator and was promoted to President/CEO in October, 2005.

He earned his Masters in Healthcare Administration from Washington University School of Medicine, located in St. Louis, in 1989, and a Bachelors of Science in Nursing from St. Louis University School for Health Sciences and Nursing in 1986. He completed a fellowship in Healthcare Administration with St. Luke's Hospital of Kansas City in 1989.

Professional affiliations includes being a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executive, Missouri State Registered Nursing Home Administrator, and Missouri State Registered Nurse.

Mr. Carron is a member of the Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Services. He is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives Regent's Advisory Council and ACHE Mentor to Graduate Students from St. Louis area universities related to Rural Healthcare Management Practices. He serves as a board member to the Healthcare Services Group, a professional membership organization of the Missouri Hospital Association which provides medical liability insurance to many Missouri hospitals. Mr. Carron was formerly the Secretary of the Hospital Association Team Board (Worker's Compensation Board).

Locally, he is a Youth Mentor in the Perryville Community Champs (Big Brother) Program, and former Board Member and Past Board President Perryville Area Chamber of Commerce.

Based in Columbia, Mo., Primaris works with health care providers – doctors, nursing homes, home health agencies and hospitals – to refine quality of care. Primaris also performs clinical review of Medicare quality complaints and also operates CLAIM, a free, unbiased Medicare help program for Missourians.

Primaris' mission is to improve health care delivery and outcomes by promoting excellence, advancing knowledge and developing innovative solutions for physicians, other providers, businesses, government, patients and consumers.