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Profile:

Richard Afable, M.D., M.P.H., is President and Chief Executive Officer of Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian. Hoag is a 498-bed, not-for-profit, faith-based acute care hospital located in Newport Beach, California. As Orange County's largest and preeminent independent hospital, Hoag offers a comprehensive mix of healthcare services, including Centers of Excellence in cancer, heart and vascular, orthopedics and women's health services. HealthGrades in 2005 named Hoag as one of the top 5% of hospitals nationwide in orthopedic care and cardiac services. Hoag has over 4000 employees, more than 1000 medical staff, almost \$600M in annual revenue and \$1.4B in assets.

Formerly, Dr. Afable was the Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Catholic Health East, an East Coast health system comprised of 31 acute care hospitals and 47 long-term care facilities. Before joining Catholic Health East, Dr. Afable was the founder and President/CEO of Preferred Physician Partners (PPP), an Ohio-based physician practice management company that supported physician groups and provider networks. He has also served as an Associate Professor of Medicine at Wake Forest University from 1991 to 1996 and as Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at Northwestern University from 1983 to 1991. Early in his career, Dr. Afable spent ten years in private practice in Chicago, specializing in internal medicine and geriatrics.

Dr. Afable received his BS degree from Loyola University in Chicago and an MD from the Loyola Stritch School of Medicine. He obtained his MPH degree from the University of Illinois School of Public Health and a certificate in business administration from Villanova University.

Education:

MD, Loyola Stritch School of Medicine
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Steve Ahnen, President, joined NHHA in October 2008 after 16 years at the American Hospital Association in Washington, D.C. He was most recently senior vice president for AHA's association development, providing leadership on a variety of internal organizational and policy matters, and was responsible for the strategic and operational oversight of the AHA's human resources efforts. Steve also led the association's outreach efforts to the business community and to state, regional and metropolitan hospital associations across the country.

Prior positions at AHA include seven years as senior vice president in the Office of the President, vice president and special assistant to the president, and lobbyist. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from the University of Kansas in Lawrence, and an executive MBA in health administration from the University of Colorado in Denver.

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