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Bill DeYoung, Chair
COO for Providence Life Services

Bill has 29 years of experience in the field of accounting. His areas of expertise include overseeing financial, investment, operational, IT, compliance, risk management and purchasing functions. He received his Bachelor of Science in Business with a Concentration in Accounting, from Trinity Christian College in 1986.

Providence Life Services offers:

- Assisted Living
- Continuing Care Retirement Community
- Home and Community Based Services
- Independent Living
- Skilled Nursing



Michael Mutterer, Chair-elect
Senior Vice President and CNO, Riverside Senior Life Communities

Michael is a healthcare Executive with a direct knowledge base and experience in Hospital, Skilled Nursing, Home Health, Hospice, and Behavioral Health Management (Implementation, development, and oversight), Clinical/Nursing services, financial and marketing services. Transformational Leader with strategic vision and operational excellence.

Specialties: Registered Nurse (R.N.), Licensed Nursing Home Administrator (LNHA), Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC), Certified Alcohol/Drug Counselor (CADC), Certified MISA II professional

Riverside Senior Life Communities offers:

- Assisted Living
- HCBS
- Skilled Nursing



Deb Reardanz, Immediate Past Chair
President/CEO, Clark-Lindsey Village

Deb has been with Clark-Lindsey Village since 1997, serving as Director of Business Services from 1999-2003, Vice President/Chief Financial Officer from 2003-2009 and has served as President and Chief Executive Officer since 2009.

Her areas of expertise include leadership development, finance and accounting. In addition to serving as Chair-Elect for LeadingAge Illinois' Board of Directors, she has served as Treasurer (2012-2014), East Central Illinois District Chair (2009-2012) and Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRC) Cabinet Member (2005-2012). Since 2012, she has served as a Fellow, Facilitator/Coach for the LeadingAge Illinois Leadership Academy. A licensed nursing home administrator and licensed certified public accountant, she holds a Master's in Business Administration from Eastern Illinois University.

Clark-Lindsey Village offers:

- Assisted Living
- Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC)
- Independent Living
- Sheltered Care
- Skilled nursing



Colleen Bottens, Secretary & CCRC Cabinet President
Vice President of Support Services for Lutheran Senior Services and Executive Director for Meridian Village

Colleen has served seniors in various capacities for over 30 years. She currently holds the dual position of Vice President of Support Services for Lutheran Senior Services and Executive Director for Meridian Village. As Vice President of Support Services, she supports Lutheran Senior Services' Clinical Team, Workforce Excellence Team, Home and Community Based Services Team, and Affordable Housing Team. Prior to that she served as an Executive Director for both Sunrise Senior Living and Horizon Bay Retirement Living. She holds a degree in social work from Governors State University. Colleen is a proud working mom with four children. A Chicago area native, Colleen now resides in Glen Carbon, Illinois with her family.

Meridian Village offers:

- Assisted Living
- CCRC
- HCBS
- Nursing Facility



Elizabeth McLaren, Treasurer & Skilled Nursing Facility Cabinet President
Associate Vice President of Health Services, Covenant Retirement Communities

Elizabeth has been with Covenant Retirement Communities since 2009. She was the Healthcare Finance Manager from 2009-2010, National Director of Healthcare from 2010 to 2016, and Vice President of Health Services since May 2016. She is responsible for oversight of assisted living and skilled nursing operations on the 14 Covenant Retirement Communities campuses, as well as operational oversight of the three home care and hospice entities of CovenantCare at Home. She is an author and frequent contributor to various publications including Provider Magazine.

Covenant Retirement Communities offers:

- Assisted Living
- Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC)
- Home and Community-Based Services
- Hospice Care
- Independent Living
- Memory Care
- Skilled Nursing



Blaire Goldstein, Member-at-Large
Executive Director, Oak Trace

Blaire Goldstein has been with Lifespace Communities for the past 18 years as an Executive Director and for the last 15 years, in the Chicagoland area. She has been at both Beacon Hill (Lombard) for 13 years and now at Oak Trace (Downers Grove). Both of these communities are Continuing Care Retirement Communities.

Prior to joining Lifespace Communities, Blaire worked for Life Care Services in an Assisted Living start up project in Washington, DC, as the Administrator of the Philadelphia Geriatric Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and in Community outreach and home based services in Northwest Washington, DC.

Blaire has been a speaker at both Leading Age Illinois and Leading Age Conferences. She is a Certified Dementia practitioner and is also certified in Risk management by the ECRI institute.

Blaire holds a BA in History from Union College, Schenectady, NY and a Master in Health Care Administration from The George Washington University, Washington, DC. She is a licensed nursing home administrator in Illinois.

Oak Trace offers:

- Assisted Living
- CCRC
- Nursing Facility
- Senior Housing



Marie Gurnik, Member-at-Large
Executive Director, Embark at Niles

Marie has over 18 years of industry experience. Since 1999, her roles at Embark at Niles have also included Director of Resident Services and Assisted Living Licensing Specialist. Her areas of expertise include quality, resident services and operations. She serves as a member of the LeadingAge Illinois Assisted Living Cabinet. Marie holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from DePaul University and a master's degree in gerontology from Northeastern Illinois University.

Embark at Niles offers:

- Assisted Living
- Senior Housing



John Larson, HCBS Cabinet President
CEO, Cantata Adult Life Services

John is the current CEO of Cantata Adult Life Services and has worked with Cantata for over 25 years. He received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a Concentration in Accounting and Business Law from University of Illinois at Chicago in 1986.

Cantata Adult Life Services offers:

- Assisted Living
- HCBS
- Independent Living
- Skilled Nursing



Bill Lowe, Housing Cabinet President
President & CEO, Chicago Methodist Senior Services

Bill Lowe has 40 years of experience in the nonprofit health care industry. For almost 30 years, he has worked for Chicago Methodist Senior Services (CMSS), serving as the President and CEO since 2005. Bill has a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Northern Illinois University. Under Bill's entrepreneurial leadership CMSS has continued to evolve and grow including embarking on many joint ventures and strong partnerships such as Trinity Risk Solutions, Parasol Alliance, Symbria, SASI and United Methodist Healthcare Recruitment.

Chicago Methodist Senior Services offers:

- Assisted Living
- Home and Community-Based Services
- Memory Care
- Skilled Nursing
- Senior Housing
- Supportive Living



Diane Oremovich, Assisted Living Cabinet President
Health and Wellness Administrator, Peace Village

Diane has served as the Health and Wellness Administrator at Peace Village since 2006. She has over 30 years of experience in the healthcare industry. She has served on the Leading Age of Illinois Assisted Living Cabinet since 2009 and currently is Cabinet President. She has an undergraduate degree in nursing and psychology from Elmhurst College and Master's in Health Care Administration from Saint Xavier University. She is CASP certified and has a Nursing Home Administrators license. Her area of expertise is nursing, case management, leadership and assisted living.

Peace Village offers:

- Assisted Living
- Independent Living



Nancy Razo, Member-at-Large
Regional Administrator, Presence Life Connections

Nancy has over 25 years of healthcare experience. She has been a licensed nursing home administrator since 2002. Since 2001 she has held leadership positions with Presence Healthcare. Nancy is also a licensed dietitian nutritionist. Her areas of expertise include leadership development, skilled nursing care operations and regulatory affairs. Nancy holds a Bachelor's degree in Food Science and Nutrition Dietetics and a Master's in Business Administration from Rosary College in River Forest, Illinois.

Presence Life Connections covers:

- Assisted Living
- Home Care
- Independent Living



Mark Stutrud, Member-at-Large
CEO, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois

Mark has over 35 years of leadership experience. Prior to being named CEO of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois in 2014, he spent 10 years as CEO of Lutheran Social Services of Michigan. He also spent six years as Vice President of Children and Family Services at Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota. His areas of expertise are nonprofit leadership and program development. He holds a Master's Degree in Child Development and Family Science as well as a Bachelor's Degree in Child and Human Development from North Dakota State University.

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois offers:

- Assisted Living
- Home Care
- Senior Housing
- Supportive Living



Dawn Zimmerman Mondschein, Member-at-Large
Executive Director, Central Baptist Village

Dawn has over 24 years of experience in the senior health care and housing industry. Solid background in management, organizational leadership and program development. As the Executive Director at Central Baptiste Village, Dawn provides mission driven, strategy focused leadership to ensure continuous high quality services for residents and a healthy, challenging workplace for staff.

Central Baptist Village offers:

- Assisted Living
- CCRC
- Nursing Facility
- Senior Housing



Christy Utterback, Member-at-Large
Regional Director, St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System

Christy Utterback is a Regional Director of Operations for St. Andrew's Management Services. She works with seniors to live fulfilled, safe and happy lives. Christy believes that growing old should be the best part of our life and that she is fortunate to be in a position to impact the lives of many seniors and their families. Not only does she feel a sense of duty to our aging population, but also to the people that care for our elders. Christy has enjoyed 17 years of working in Senior Care and housing.

One of Christy's proudest moments was when the president of St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors asked her to be the instructor for their Asset Based Thinking program. The program is designed to grow our leaders and give them to tools to positively and effectively use critical thinking skills. The program also teaches us to reprogram our brains to look at every situation in a positive manner. This is creating a culture of happier team members and leaders, which trickles down to more satisfied customers.

Christy lives in Red Bud Illinois. She is blessed with a wonderful husband Reed and 3 children Casey, Dalton and Katie. They also share 2 grandchildren, Jaren and Nya.

St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System offers:

- Assisted Living
- Retirement Living
- Memory Care
- Rehabilitation
- In-Home Care