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Huenergardt Named Shawnee Mission Health CEO and Mid-America Regional CEO for Adventist Health System



Shawnee Mission, Kan. – Sam Huenergardt, current president and chief executive officer of Parker Adventist Hospital in Parker, Colorado, has been promoted to serve as CEO for Shawnee Mission Health effective May 28, 2018. He also will serve as the Mid-America Region CEO for Adventist Health System, which is comprised of both the Shawnee Mission Health network and Chippewa Valley Hospital in Durand, Wisconsin.

"Sam has a tremendously rich history of proven success with Adventist Health System," said Randy Haffner, president and CEO of the Adventist Health System Multistate Division and Board Chairman of Shawnee Mission Health. "Every facility that he has led has performed incredibly both clinically and financially, but more importantly, Sam embodies our mission to extend the healing ministry of Christ and serves our team members and communities with this uncommon compassion with every interaction."

Huenergardt's career has spanned multiple Adventist Health System facilities in multiple roles including president/CEO of Central Texas Medical Center and chief operating officer and chief financial officer of Gordon Hospital from 2005 to 2010. From 2003 to 2005, he was at Shawnee Mission Health in the controller role.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska, and a Master's in Business Administration from Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas.

"This is a dream come true for me to return to serve the Mid-America Region at both Shawnee Mission Health and Chippewa Valley," said Huenergardt. "There is so much that is great about this growing region of Adventist Health System, and I am looking forward to working with the team to grow and advance our work in delivering whole-person care."

Huenergardt replaces Ken Bacon, who recently announced his appointment as CEO of the Centura Health South Denver Group (a joint venture with Adventist Health System) in Colorado.

About Adventist Health System

With a sacred mission of *Extending the Healing Ministry of Christ*, Adventist Health System is a connected system of care for every stage of life and health. More than 80,000 skilled and compassionate caregivers in physician practices, hospitals, outpatient clinics, skilled nursing facilities, home health agencies and hospice centers provide individualized, wholistic care. A Christian mission, shared vision,

common values, focus on whole-person health and commitment to making communities healthier unify the system's 46 hospital campuses and hundreds of care sites in diverse markets throughout nine states.

About Shawnee Mission Health

Shawnee Mission Health (SMH) includes Shawnee Mission Medical Center (SMMC) in Merriam, Kan., a 504-bed facility with more than 22,000 inpatient admissions and more than 200,000 outpatient admissions annually; SMH – Prairie Star; SMH – Overland Park and Centra Care Shawnee Mission Urgent Care and physician practices located throughout Johnson and Leavenworth Counties. SMH is the only certified member of MD Anderson Cancer Network®, a program of MD Anderson Cancer Center, in Kansas City. SMH employs more than 3,200 local residents and supports an exceptional staff of nearly 700 physicians. SMH is part of [Adventist Health System \(AHS\)](#), the largest not-for-profit, Protestant health care organization in the nation. Visit us online at [ShawneeMission.org](#).

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