

DEBRA F. SUKIN, MHA, PhD, FACHE

Regional Senior Vice President, Houston Methodist
Chief Executive Officer, Houston Methodist The Woodlands Hospital

As Regional Senior Vice President of Houston Methodist, Dr. Debra F. Sukin has responsibility for four suburban hospitals in addition to her role as Chief Executive Officer. Houston Methodist West Hospital and Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital both operate as market leaders in the communities that they serve. Houston Methodist Continuing Care Hospital is a long-term facility that provides extended hospitalization for patients across Greater Houston. In her role as CEO, Dr. Sukin designed, developed, and implemented Houston Methodist The Woodlands Hospital as a greenfield project. This is a master planned 400-bed, comprehensive acute care hospital.

Prior to joining Houston Methodist, Dr. Sukin served as Senior Vice President of CHI St. Luke's Health System as well as Chief Executive Officer of CHI St. Luke's The Woodlands Hospital.

A Houston native, Dr. Sukin is an active community advocate and public speaker. She is past Chair for both Interfaith of The Woodlands and The Woodlands Area Economic Development Partnership Board of Directors. Dr. Sukin also serves as a board member for Woodforest National Bank, Texas Hospital Association HOSPAC Board and the Greater Houston YMCA. She is a member of the Texas Hospital Association Council on Policy Development and The Greater Houston Chapter of the Young President's Organization.



In 2007, Dr. Sukin was recognized as one of Modern Healthcare's "Up & Comers" in healthcare leadership. The American College of Healthcare Executives honored her with the Regent's Early Careerist Healthcare Executive Award in 2010. She was recognized by Becker's Hospital Review in 2013 as one of the top Women Hospital and Health System Leaders in the country, and by Montgomery County Women's Council on Organization as a 2014 Woman of Distinction. In 2016, Dr. Sukin was named a Hometown Hero in The Woodlands. Most recently, Houston Business Journal recognized Dr. Sukin as an "Outstanding Business Leader in Healthcare" for Women Who Mean Business and "Business Woman of the Year" in 2017.

Dr. Sukin earned a PhD in Health Policy and Health Management from the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston. She received her Master of Healthcare Administration degree from Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri. She is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Dr. Sukin resides in The Woodlands with her husband, Steven Sukin, MD, and their two boys, Jacob and Eli.

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