



Joseph R. Horton, MHA, FACHE**MHA Program at the David Eccles School of Business****Executive Professor, Lecturer**

MHA 6530 – Healthcare Administration
MHA 6800 – Management and Administration in Healthcare
MHA 6801 – Healthcare Industry Players
MHA 6804 – Principle Based Leadership in Healthcare
MGT 6540 – Business Ethics

Academic Area: Health Administration

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Bio

Before beginning his career at Primary Children's Hospital, a 290-bed pediatric center of excellence that serves five states; Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana and Nevada and is affiliated with the University of Utah School of Medicine, Mr. Horton was formerly Chief Operating Officer of Cottonwood Hospital. He transferred to Primary Children's Hospital as Chief Operating Officer in 1986 and became Chief Executive Officer in 1994.

In 2001, he fulfilled a two-year term as Chairman of the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI). In 2003, he received the Hospital Executive of the Year Award from the Utah Hospital Association. On May 1, 2007, Mr. Horton was appointed Senior Vice President of Intermountain Healthcare and assumed responsibility for all of Intermountain's 23 hospitals until his retirement in 2012. Since fall of 2010, Mr. Horton has been a Visiting Professor at the University of Michigan, where he teaches leadership to graduate students. He joined the David Eccles School of Business as an Adjunct Professor in 2012.

Mr. Horton's teaching focuses on healthcare leadership and ethics, which he believes has a direct impact on the present and future culture of healthcare, employee behavior, and the patient experience. He is passionate about engaging students in understanding the missions and dynamics of healthcare administration and helping them to become the best leadership version of themselves. By drawing on his extensive management background Horton has a deep understanding of the critical thinking and emotional intelligence that leaders need to develop in order to apply strategic management principles. Mr. Horton's experience dealing with team development and management, mission, vision and values, disciplinary issues, and day to day operations places an emphasis on executing the healthcare mission at the highest level.

Academic Degrees

- Master of Hospital Administration, University of Minnesota, 1981
- BA, English, University of Utah, 1978

Previous Positions

- Senior Vice President, Hospital Operations, **Intermountain Healthcare**, 2007-2012
- President/CEO, **Primary Children's Hospital**, 1994-2007
- Chief Operating Officer, **Primary Children's Hospital**, 1986-1994
- Associate Administrator/COO, **Cottonwood Hospital Medical Center**, 1984-1985
- Assistant Administrator, **Cottonwood Hospital Medical Center**, 1982-1984
- Administrative Assistant, **Intermountain Healthcare**, 1981-1982
- Administrative Resident, **LDS Hospital**, 1980-1981

Awards and Honors

- James A. Hamilton Award, University of Minnesota (1981)
- FACHE, American College of Healthcare Executives – Fellow (1991)
- Distinguished Hospital Executive, Utah Hospitals and Health Systems Association (2003)
- Member – CHIEF, Children's Hospital International Executive Forum (1997-present)
- Finalist – International Health & Medical Media Awards, "Thanks for Trying" (2008)
- Healthcare Heroes – Lifetime Achievement Award, Utah Business Magazine 2011
- Leadership in Ethics Education Award, David Eccles School of Business 2012

Selected Boards and Memberships

- National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI)
 - National Chair (1999-2001), Board member (1994-2002), Member-Case Mix Data Committee (1992-1993), Chair- Council on Management Information (1995-1997)
- Utah Chapter / National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse
 - President (1992), Board Member (1991), Advisor (1993)
- Utah Children, Child Advocacy Organization
 - Board member (1994-1996), Chair- Board Development Committee (1996)
- Families Now
 - Board member (1995 -1998)
- United Way
 - Campaign Cabinet (1995)
- State of Utah, Department of Health, Division of Health Care Financing
- Medicaid Citizen's Review Committee (1996-1998)
- Utah Humanities
 - Board Member (2002-2015)
- The Road Home (Homeless Shelter)
 - Board President (2015-2016)