

KATHLEEN YOSKO, RN, BSN, MS, MBA, PhD

Since 1998, Kathleen Yosko has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Marianjoy, Inc., Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital and Marianjoy Medical Group. Marianjoy is a network of inpatient, subacute and outpatient physical rehabilitation delivering a full range of services to both adults and children. The Marianjoy network includes the Marianjoy Medical Group, a physician group that specializes in physical medicine and rehabilitation, including evaluations, electromyography and diagnostic programs. Each year, more than 50,000 patients are seen within Marianjoy's service network. A \$125 million, 128-bed hospital dedicated to the delivery of rehabilitative services was recently completed in September, 2006 and included a \$16.5 million fundraising campaign.

In 2001, under Ms. Yosko's leadership, Marianjoy launched AbilityLinks.org, an award-winning website that matches jobseekers who have a disability with businesses seeking to hire qualified workers. The program has helped to increase employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Prior to joining Marianjoy (1978-1998), Ms. Yosko served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital and Care Network, a 125-bed comprehensive rehabilitation facility. Founded in 1912, Schwab's care network grew extensively under her leadership and now operates eight satellite facilities in the Chicago area. Before her departure a replacement hospital was completed under her leadership.

Ms. Yosko began her career as a registered nurse/clinical specialist in rehabilitation at the Veterans Hospital University and Highland Drive Campuses in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania during the Vietnam War. It was through providing care to those young wounded warriors that she developed her 40 year history of serving people with disabilities as a clinician, administrator and disability advocate.

From 2007 through 2008, Ms. Yosko served as the chairperson of the American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association (AMRPA). AMRPA is a nonprofit trade organization representing freestanding rehabilitation hospitals, rehabilitation units in general hospitals, outpatient rehabilitation facilities, several skilled nursing facilities, and home health agencies that provide medical rehabilitation services to over 700,000 people annually. Ms. Yosko has also served as the chairperson of the Commission of Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (1997), and as the chairperson of the American Rehabilitation Association (1994), a Washington, D.C.-based organization representing providers of rehabilitation services.

Over her healthcare career, Ms. Yosko has received a series of national and local achievement awards. In 2012 Kathleen received the WSPN's Non-Profit Executive of the Year Award. In 2002, Kathleen received the Business Ledger's Influential Women in Business Award. In 2001, the YWCA awarded Ms. Yosko with their Outstanding Women in Business Award. In 1988, Ms. Yosko received the AHA's Hospital Society for Planning & Marketing's First Annual Strategy Award, which was given "in recognition of vision and insight in cultivating staff ideas and developing them into innovative, responsive programming to meet changing rehabilitation needs." In 1989, she received the Chicago Area Health Care Planning and Marketing Award "given in recognition of her vision and creativity in addressing opportunities in health care planning and marketing." Ms. Yosko was also the recipient of the 1995 Don Burke Award for Executive Excellence, given by the Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities. Ms. Yosko also received the inaugural INDE award from the American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association in November of 2004 in which she was nominated by her peers in the industry for

“Inspired, Notable, Dedicated Efforts, which have had a direct and positive impact on the medical rehabilitation field, and/or the persons served by the field.”

Ms. Yosko is active in professional organizations. She currently serves on the Medicaid and Quality Advisory Boards of the Illinois Hospital Association; Access DuPage Board; DuPage County Workforce Board; Illinois Performance Excellence Board (IPEX); American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association Board (AMRPA); Illinois Council Against Handgun Violence Board and the Chicago Project Against Violence Prevention. She is a member of the Chicago Network, the Economic Club of Chicago, the Executives Club of Chicago and the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations.