

Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"
Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)(5)

1. Your Name: Ronald A. Paulus, MD		
2. Your Title: President and CEO		
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: Mission Heath System, Inc.		
4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No X
5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments originating with a foreign government, that you or the entity(ies) you represent have received on or after January 1, 2015. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the subject matter of the hearing must be listed.		
6. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.		

Signature: _____  _____ Date: 10/9/17



RONALD A. PAULUS, MD, MBA - BIOGRAPHY PRESIDENT AND CEO, MISSION HEALTH



Ronald A. Paulus, MD, is President and CEO of Mission Health, a \$1.7 billion integrated health system serving all of western North Carolina -- a region older, poorer, sicker and less likely to be insured than state and national averages (www.Mission-Health.org). Mission Health includes: six general acute care hospitals (including four Critical Access Hospitals), a rehabilitation hospital, more than five hundred employed providers, inpatient and home hospice programs, a PACE program and an MSSP Accountable Care Organization comprised of more than 1,000 physicians in a region-wide clinically-integrated network. During his tenure, Mission Health has reduced inpatient mortality by more than half, achieved six-sigma medication safety results, improved patient experience to above the 90th percentile and became the only health system ever designated as one of the nation's Top 15 Health Systems for five of six years (Thomson Reuters in 2012, and its successor Truven Health Analytics/IBM Watson in 2013-2015 and 2017) performing in the top 2% of the United States in the most recent award period. During his tenure, employee engagement increased from below to more than double the national average.

Before joining Mission Health, Dr. Paulus was Executive Vice President, Clinical Operations and Chief Innovation Officer for Geisinger Health System (www.Geisinger.org), where he managed Geisinger's hospitals and its more than 800 physician member group practice and also was responsible for ensuring system-wide innovation. Prior to joining Geisinger, Dr. Paulus was co-founder, President and later CEO of CareScience, Inc. (a NASDAQ company), later acquired by Premier, Inc. (NASDAQ: PINC; <https://www.premierinc.com/>) providing an analytics platform to support health systems' quality and efficiency improvement work used today by nearly 1,000 hospitals nationwide.

Dr. Paulus received his MD degree from The School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, and his MBA, concentration in healthcare management, and BS in Economics from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He has numerous peer-reviewed book chapter and journal publications (including the *Annals of Internal Medicine*, *New England Journal of Medicine* and *Health Affairs*), and speaks regularly on the topics of health care quality and efficiency, innovation, physician and health system leadership and new models of care. Dr. Paulus has been named one of Modern Healthcare's Top 50 Most Influential Physician Executives and Leaders several times, and was recently among the Top 15 on that list.