James K. Reed, MD

Dr. Jim Reed is the retired President and CEO of St. Peter’s Health Partners which was created on October 1, 2011 by the merger of Northeast Health, St. Peter’s Health Care Services, and Seton Health. This unique merger combined three successful health systems and included both Catholic-sponsored and secular components. The merger created the region’s largest and most comprehensive not-for-profit network of high-quality, advanced medical care, primary care, rehabilitation and senior services. These state-of-the-art services and programs are provided through Albany Memorial Hospital and St. Peter’s Hospital in Albany; Samaritan Hospital and St. Mary’s Hospital in Troy; Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital in Schenectady; The Community Hospice; and The Eddy system of home care, residential nursing care, Alzheimer’s centers, and retirement communities. In 2022, St. Joseph’s Health in Syracuse was added to the system. The new organization has approximately 16,000 employees at almost 200 locations.

Dr. Reed received his undergraduate degree in economics from Amherst College, then attended the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania where he received his MBA. He joined the International Paper Company, held a variety of finance positions, and became the company’s Director of Corporate Finance. He moved to the Union Pacific Corporation as Manager of Strategic Planning and became Director of Acquisitions and Divestitures.

He then attended Cornell University Medical College, where he received numerous clinical prizes and became president of the school’s academic honor society. He completed residency training in Family Practice, receiving the Mead Johnson Award as one of the nation’s twenty best family practice residents, and spent nine years as a partner in a private group family practice in Albany, New York. In 1999, he was named Chief Medical Officer of Northeast Health. In 2011, he added the responsibilities of Chief Operating Officer, and in 2005, he became President and CEO.

Dr. Reed is Chairman of the Board of Pioneer Bancorp, Inc. He was also Chairman of MLMIC Insurance Company, a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway. He was a board member of HealthNow New York Inc., the Center for Economic Growth, the Capital Region Chamber, and the Albany Symphony Orchestra. Previously, he served as a member of the New York State Hospital Review and Planning Council and was a governor’s appointee to the Regional Advisory Committee of the Commission on Health Care Facilities in the 21st Century (the “Berger Closing Commission”).

Dr. Reed was inducted into the Tech Valley Business Hall of Fame in May, 2017, was named Executive of the Year by the Business Review in 2008, and received the Crohn’s and Colitis Humanitarian Award in 2020.