
Spero Health Announces Appointment of New Chief Operating Officer



Spero Health, a CARF-accredited organization specializing in local, affordable, outpatient care for individuals suffering from substance use disorder, announced an executive leadership addition with the appointment of Edward Littlejohn as Chief Operating Officer.

Ed's dynamic and multifaceted healthcare experience spans more than 20 years, including prior leadership roles as Chief Operating Officer. His most recent position was with Meridian Behavioral Health Systems where he was responsible for operations over nine facilities in six states. During his time at Meridian, he made significant contributions to the business through the establishment of continuous improvement and operational quality practices throughout the organization. Prior to that, he served as the Chief Operating Officer of hospitals within Tenet Healthcare and Kaiser Permanente.

As Chief Operating Officer, Ed will also work closely with Steve Priest, CEO, in focusing on continued operational improvement, integration and other strategic initiatives that impact the overall Spero Health community. Responsible for day-to-day operations, he will ensure that the quality of care for patients mirrors the mission, vision and core values of the Spero Health organization.

"With today's announcement, we are continuing to add top talent to drive improvements in performance and to further enhance our commitment to providing the highest quality of care for our patients," said Priest.

"We could not be more pleased to welcome Ed into his new role as Chief Operating Officer, as he embodies the spirit of the Spero Health community which is made up of hard-working, dedicated, compassionate and innovative team members who create limitless possibilities for the patients we serve. I am confident that Ed's leadership will serve us well today and into the future," said Priest.

Speaking about his new role at Spero, Littlejohn said, "Spero Health is an incredible community of people who are changing healthcare for the better for individuals who are suffering from addiction, I look forward to joining their efforts so that we can ensure families and communities have the best option for lasting recovery and sustained improvement in their overall health and vitality."

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