

David W. Cook

President & CEO, Hosparus Health



David W. Cook, MBA, is president and chief executive officer of Hosparus Health, one of the nation's leading non-profit care providers for patients and families facing serious illness. For over 40 years, the \$90 million mission-driven organization has been a trusted partner to nearly 10,000 patients annually across a 41-county service area in Kentucky and Indiana. As the largest non-profit in Louisville, Hosparus Health has been championing equitable healthcare access for all members of the community since 1978.

Since assuming the role in September 2021, David has overseen operational and strategic efforts in response to the community's changing healthcare needs. Under his leadership, the organization has broadened its scope of services to provide its patient-centered model across the continuum of care for those facing complex medical conditions.

David is a seasoned executive with more than 20 years of operational and financial leadership experience within the healthcare and non-profit sectors. Most recently, he served as president and chief executive officer of Carolina Caring in Newton, North Carolina. During his five-year tenure with the organization, David expanded service offerings and oversaw the development of the community-based pediatric palliative and hospice program, Carolina Kids.

Before joining Carolina Caring, David spent over 15 years with Hosparus, where he started his career in healthcare after working in the banking industry. Throughout his time with the organization, he held several key leadership positions, including chief operating officer. In each role, David sought innovative opportunities to build on Hosparus' history of compassion to improve the quality of life for people of all ages and backgrounds, regardless of their ability to pay.

David has a bachelor's degree in business administration, a post-baccalaureate certificate in accounting, and a master's degree in business administration from Indiana University. He currently serves on the boards of the National Partnership for Healthcare and Hospice Innovation, Kentucky Association of Hospice & Palliative Care, and the CEOc (formerly Louisville Healthcare CEO Council). In 2023, he was recognized as a Health Care Hero Innovator honoree in the Louisville area by Louisville Business First.

A native of the Kentuckiana area, David now lives in Louisville, Kentucky, with his wife and their three sons.