

Donna Katen-Bahensky



Donna Katen-Bahensky is an Advisory Board Member and Consultant for InveniasPartners. Donna has spent over 30 years in senior leadership positions in a number of large and prestigious academic medical centers. She served as the President and CEO of the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics (UWHC) in Madison, Wisconsin and prior to UWHC, she served as the CEO of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics as well as the Senior Associate Vice President for Medical Affairs at the University of Iowa Health Care. As well, Donna also held the position of Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System and the Medical College of Virginia Hospitals and Clinics. Most recently, Donna held the position of Director of the VA Medical Center in West Palm Beach, Florida.

As a leader in health care, Donna has been active in many professional organizations. She served on the Board of Trustees for the American Hospital Association from 2012- 015. She served on the Administrative Board of the Council of Teaching Hospitals of the Association of American Medical Colleges and on the Board of Directors of the University Health System Consortium.

In addition to her leadership roles in health care, Donna is actively involved in the community. These roles include the Board of Directors for United Way of Dane County and the American Heart Association. Previously she served on the Health Council of United Way, Greater Madison Area Chamber of Commerce and had nearly 30-year relationship with the American Heart Association including Chair of the Board for the Midwest Affiliate. She has also served on the Board of Directors of the Overture Center for the Arts, Iowa State Bank (now MidWest One Bank), Ronald McDonald House, Girl Scouts and the American Red Cross.

Throughout her career, Donna has served as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Virginia Commonwealth University, the University of Iowa and the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health.

Donna's accomplishments and recognitions have been numerous over the years. She has been named to the 24 Leading Women to Know in Health Care by Becker's Hospital Review and was selected to receive the 2013 Top 30 Becker's Healthcare Leadership Award. She was named as one of Brava Magazine's Women to Watch and received the Arthritis Foundation Community Impact Leadership Award in 2013.

Donna received a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and a Master of Science in Public Health Administration. Both of her degrees were awarded by the University of Missouri, Columbia.