

## KEN HOLMEN ELECTED TO MPR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ST. PAUL, Minn., October 8, 2018 — Minnesota Public Radio today announced that Kenneth “Ken” Holmen, M.D., president and CEO of CentraCare Health, has been elected to MPR’s board of trustees. Dr. Holmen has led the St. Cloud-headquartered health system since January of 2015.

“Dr. Holmen’s leadership experience in the ever-expanding world of healthcare is a testament to his deep knowledge of guiding organizations with a focus on the future,” said Jon McTaggart, president and CEO of Minnesota Public Radio. “We are fortunate to welcome such a committed executive to the MPR board.”

As the leader of CentraCare, Dr. Holmen is responsible for providing strategic direction for the organization’s 12,000 employees, as well as the establishment, maintenance and enhancement of quality health services. One of the state’s 10 largest nonprofit organizations, CentraCare includes six hospitals, seven long-term care facilities, 18 clinics in 11 Central Minnesota communities, and a family practice residency program affiliated with the University of Minnesota.

Prior to joining CentraCare, he served as Chief Medical Officer and Vice President of Medical Affairs at Regions Hospital/HealthPartners. Dr. Holmen earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Augsburg, his M.D. degree from the University of Minnesota Medical School and is a board-certified anesthesiologist. He practiced as an anesthesiologist in several metropolitan hospitals prior to moving to St. Cloud.



Dr. Holmen has served and continues to serve on boards of nonprofit and for-profit organizations and has sung with the National Lutheran Choir for more than 30 years. As an MPR member of 42 years, he is a passionate supporter of public radio.

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