



Paul Dongilli Jr., PhD, FACHE

Chief Executive Officer, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals

Paul Dongilli has a long history of service to Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals—both in direct patient care and in leadership for more than three decades.

In January of 2016, Paul was named president and CEO of Madonna, after 10 years as Madonna’s executive vice president and chief operations officer. He holds a Bachelor and Master of Arts degree from the University of Pittsburg in speech pathology, as well as a PhD from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

A leader within the health care industry both locally and nationally, Dongilli is a board member for the National Association for Long Term Hospitals, serving as board chair from 2012 to 2014. He is also a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives. Dongilli also has served as surveyor on the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) International.* He was appointed to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Trauma Advisory Board, serving from 2008 through 2020. Dongilli joined the Nebraska Hospital Association Board of Directors in January 2018.

Dongilli also volunteers with the Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach and serves in various roles within St. Peter Catholic Church and School. Dongilli and his wife, Marilyn, live in Lincoln. The couple has two adult children.

*CARF International is an independent body for the accreditation of rehabilitation facilities.