



OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois Names New President

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(Peoria, IL | Sept. 3, 2019) – Mike Wells has been named president of OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois. He has served as vice president since June 2018.

Wells will be accountable for oversight of all internal operations of OSF Children's Hospital, while developing and implementing short-term tactics within the long-term strategies of the OSF Women & Children's Service Line. This will ensure high quality and cost-effective health care to children and families.

"I'm honored to serve alongside our talented, compassionate team of leaders and caregivers at OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois, some of whom founded and built the hospital into the destination center it is today. We have a responsibility to provide the highest level of care for children from across Illinois and beyond," said Wells.

"To accomplish that, we will incorporate cutting edge technology and techniques to advance inpatient care, further develop specialty and multidisciplinary clinics for complex conditions, extend our expertise to support care in communities throughout our service area, and continue developing innovative ways to provide access to care. Most importantly, we will carry on our OSF Sisters' Mission of serving with the greatest care and love. The future is exciting for Children's Hospital and it is a privilege to be part of it!"

Wells joined OSF Children's Hospital in 2005 as the director of the Resource Link program and has assumed roles of increasing responsibility over the years.

He received a Bachelor of Science in psychology from Illinois State University and went on to earn his master's degree in clinical counseling psychology.

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OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois in Peoria is the third largest pediatric hospital in Illinois and the only full service tertiary hospital for kids downstate. With 136 beds and more than 141 pediatric subspecialists, OSF Children's Hospital cares for more children in Illinois than any hospital outside of Chicago. Formally established as a pediatric hospital within the walls of OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center in 1990, OSF Children's Hospital has over 7,000 admissions; 2,500 newborn deliveries, and 18,000 emergency department visits each year. More at <https://www.osfhealthcare.org/childrens/>.