

My name is Peg Haggerty. I am an RN, with my BSN from Viterbo University (LaCrosse, WI), my MSN in Nursing Admin/Nurse Educator from Winona State University (Winona, MN), and my EdD in Educational Leadership from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota (Winona, MN).

Currently, I am the Vice President of Patient Care Services at Columbus Community Hospital in Columbus, WI. I have been there almost five years. Most of my career was spent at Gundersen Lutheran, initially as a staff nurse, then in management positions both in the acute and ambulatory settings. After a number of years at Gundersen Lutheran, I decided to pursue a new opportunity in academia. I took a position as Associate Professor at Viterbo University and taught in the Graduate Nursing Program and developed the online Nursing Leadership in Healthcare Track (Nursing Administration). Although I enjoyed teaching for the five years I taught, I realized I missed the fast pace and challenges in the healthcare setting, so I pursued an opportunity and was hired into the Vice President of Patient Care Services at Columbus Community Hospital, Columbus, Wisconsin. I have been in my position for 4 years. Because of my enjoyment with teaching, I have continued as adjunct faculty for Concordia University, teaching online the Ethics and Leadership in Healthcare course (MBA 930) in the DNP program as well as online graduate nursing courses for Viterbo University.

I am actively involved in the Wisconsin Organization for Nurse Executives (W-ONE) recently completing my term as Secretary of the Board and currently I am President-Elect. I am also a member of the American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE), Wisconsin Nurses Association, American Nurses Association, Sigma Theta Tau, and American Colleges of Healthcare Executives.

I am married and have 4 grown children with three daughters who are married, and a son. I have six grandchildren with the seventh to arrive in late February early March, 2011. I enjoy bicycling, golf, walking, playing pool, music, travel, and family gatherings