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CIMRO Board of Directors

Mary Belford, M.D. graduated from the University of Illinois, Chicago in 1989 and has been licensed in Illinois since 1994. Dr. Belford is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, and currently has active staff privileges at Northwestern Medicine Palos Hospital in Palos Park, She is a member of the American Psychiatric Association and Illinois State Medical Society. She previously was a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Texas Medical School in Houston, Texas and served as the Program Director of the General Psychiatry Residency Program at Riverside Hospital in Kankakee, Illinois. Dr. Belford was elected to the CIMRO Board of Directors in March 1999 and was elected as Board Vice Chair in 2023 and Board Chair in 2026. She has also served on the Nominating Committee as Chair since 2001. Prior to becoming Board Chair, she assumed CIMRO's Associate Chief Medical Officer role from 2025-2026. As part of the CIMRO's prior subsidiaries, Dr. Belford was elected to the Great Plains Quality Innovation Network Board of Directors in 2021 and served as Vice-Chair until 2025. She also served as Vice Chair on the CIMRO of Nebraska Board of Directors from 2017-2021.

Dan Holdhusen, BS held several senior leadership roles in his 28 years of service with The Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society (Society), the nation's largest non-for-profit provider of care, housing and services for seniors and others in need. He served as CFO for ten years, a Senior Vice President with responsibility for a variety of national initiatives, and national Director of Government Relations. Mr. Holdhusen's earlier career included 15 years at Missouri River Energy Services where he served as CEO with management of the consumer-owned electric utility company. His top skills include strategic planning, project management and leadership, and he holds a Business Administration degree from Northern State University in South Dakota. Mr. Holdhusen is retired. He is currently serving his second term on the Great Plains QIN Board of Directors and has served on the Finance Committee since May 2020 and the CIMRO Board of Directors and Finance Committee since 2022.

Andy Marx, BS graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1999 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. He obtained his Master of Science in Health Administration from the University of St. Francis in 2013. Mr. Marx currently serves as the Director of Financial Operations for Carle Health, where he also previously served as a Strategic Planning Manager, Payer Contracting Manager, Healthcare Finance Advisor, and Senior Financial Analyst. His past experience includes Medicaid Contract Analytics as the Director of Medical Economics for Aetna and Director of Provider

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Contracting for Health Alliance Medical Plans. Mr. Marx was elected to CIMRO's Board of Directors in 2026.

Deborah K. McDermott, M.D. graduated from the St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri in 1978 and specialized in Internal Medicine in southern Illinois. She is Past President of the medical staffs at Belleville Memorial and St. Elizabeth's Hospitals and served on the Nominating Committee of the Illinois State Medical Society (ISMS). She has been active in peer review both within the facilities she practiced and with external utilization review organizations. Dr. McDermott was elected to its Board of Directors in 2001. She was appointed to the Board's Nominating Committee in 2006 and the Finance Committee in 2017, and in 2019 elected as the Board Secretary-Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair. She is now retired.

Kristin B. Rodriguez, MS graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from UC Berkely in 2006 and a Master of Science degree in Healthcare Informatics from University of San Diego in 2018. Kristin currently serves as the Chief Product Officer of Vitality Group. She previously served as the Chief Operating Officer for the Health Plan Alliance, Director of Marketing and Corporate Communications for the Gorman Health Group, and Executive Director for RISE. Kristin is a mission driven healthcare executive with a track record of launching successful products and transforming organizations to solve problems, bring people together, and create lasting value. A high-energy, hands-on leader who has deep experience in change management and has led teams through the disruption of leadership changes and the uncertainty of operationalizing strategic plans and mission-derived aspirations. She possesses a breadth of diverse execution management and value delivery through collaborative problem solving grounded in customer experience, high quality execution, and superior level of accountability in taking calculated risks, including the following domains: financial stability, workforce development, advocacy, operational effectiveness, performance improvement, and behavioral health integration. Kristin has served on CIMRO's Board since 2022 and the Finance Committee since 2023.

Phillip M. Rowell II, MJ is an information technology executive with a passion for healthcare currently serving as a Chief Analytics Officer with Health Catalyst's Technology Enabled Managed Services Division. He is an innovative, outcomes-focused and patient centered senior leader with nearly twenty years of experience in health information technology, population health management, and analytic design. Prior to joining Health Catalyst, Mr. Rowell served as the Vice President of Health Outcomes for Carle, the Director of Technology Consulting with PricewaterhouseCoopers Australia, and he also held positions at Cerner Corporation and Avanade, Inc. He obtained his Bachelor of Business Administration, Economics and Master of Jurisprudence, Health Law degrees from Loyola

University. Mr. Rowell is a member of AMA, AMGA, and Pacific Health Information Network and co-founder of Willow Grove International, LLC. Mr. Rowell has served on the CIMRO Board since 2023 and was elected Board Vice Chair in 2026.

Yashail Vora, MD, MSc, FRCSC is board certified in neurological surgery and since 2008 has served as attending neurosurgeon with Kaiser Permanente in Oregon and southwest Washington. Dr. Vora completed medical school, obtained a Master of Science degree, and completed his neurosurgery residency at the University of Alberta where he received many honors and awards during medical school. Additionally, he completed a neurosurgical oncology fellowship at MD Anderson Cancer Center. Prior to joining Kaiser Permanente, Dr. Vora served as the attending neurosurgeon at the VA Medical Center of Nebraska and Iowa and Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery at Creighton University School of Medicine. Dr. Vora has been a CIMRO physician reviewer since 2004 and for Healthcare Quality Strategies, Inc. since 2012. He has authored numerous publications and scientific presentations, and has been invited faculty at several institutions. Dr. Vora is a member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons. He has served on CIMRO's Board since 2023 and CIMRO's Associate Chief Medical Officer since 2026.

Ronald Johnson, MD, *Advisor to the Board*