

Experience. Talent. Leadership.

El Paso Health is proud to introduce its two new CEOs.

El Paso Health's mission is to help ensure access to quality healthcare for those who are in most need. It's a sensitive mission, and complicated. It involves STAR, CHIP, and recently, the Medicare Advantage Dual Special Needs Plan. A leader with passion and compassion, a sense of caring, and vast experience. El Paso Health has two of the best.

Carol G. Smallwood has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of El Paso Health, and Janel Lujan has been named Chief Executive Officer of El Paso Health Medicaid.

Carol joined El Paso Health last year as Chief Organizational Development Officer. She has thirty years of experience in healthcare administration and management, almost exclusively in Medicaid Managed Care. Her previous leadership positions include working for Green Planet Group, Health Services Advisory Group, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona. She also served as President and CEO of El Paso First Health Plans (now El Paso Health) from 2006 to 2013. Ms. Smallwood holds a Bachelor of Community Health degree from New Mexico State University and Master of Public Health degree from the University of Oklahoma. She is a decorated NMSU alumna and serves on several higher education boards.

Janel is a 15-year veteran of El Paso Health and previously served as the Interim Chief Executive Officer. Her broad healthcare experience includes utilization management, population health, provider reimbursement, provider engagement, and pharmacy benefit implementation. She began her career with El Paso Health as a Social Work Case Manager II, and was subsequently promoted to Case Management Coordinator, Clinical Supervisor, Director of Health Services, Senior Director of Operations, Vice President of Operations and Chief Operating Officer. Ms. Lujan has both a Bachelor of Psychology degree and a Master of Social Work degree from Arizona State University.

On behalf of El Paso Health's 150+ associates, the Board of Directors congratulates our new CEO's. We look forward to these two healthcare management veterans continuing our work as the largest health maintenance organization in the service delivery areas of El Paso and Hudspeth counties.



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