

**Robert Thorn, MBA, FACHE**

*Chief Executive Officer*

**PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- FACHE with more than 25 years of demonstrated success in interim and long-term healthcare leadership roles
- Demonstrated understanding of regulatory requirements for CAH and acute care hospitals, medical practice, long-term care, hospice and more.
- Excellent management, presentation, communication and physician-relationship skills.



Mr. Thorn is an experienced Chief Executive Officer who is a results-oriented MBA and FACHE with more than 25 years of demonstrated success in interim and long-term healthcare leadership roles. He has led both critical access and acute care hospitals, PACE and medical practice operations. Previous roles include strategic planning, contract negotiation, compliance, business development, virtual health, planning and implementation, community population health management, new business planning and start-ups. He demonstrates strong understanding of regulatory requirements for hospitals, medical practice, hospice, telehealth, PACE, ambulatory surgery center and medical transport industries.

In a previous interim engagement with a Critical Access Hospital in the West, Mr. Thorn came into an organization that had not experienced a monthly operating surplus in two years. He was able to oversee operational changes, renegotiate provider contracts, recover more expenses through the Medicare cost report and heighten expectations with department heads to be accountable for their budgetary responsibilities as managers. The organization's cash reserves had hit historically low levels, so a reversal was in order, *and quickly*. For each month he was there, the organization achieved an operating surplus; and, balanced a budget that had been off by more than a million dollars without costing jobs. Ultimately Mr. Thorn was integral to the hiring of, and hand off to, the permanent CEO, leaving the organization more financially and operationally stable.

**Academic and Professional Credentials**

Originally a graduate of California Polytechnic State University with a bachelor's degree in Natural Resource Management. Mr. Thorn earned a Master of Business Administration from National University. He served as the chairman of the board in High Plains Rural Health Network. He is fellow at the American College of Healthcare Executives, and a certified incident commander. In 2008, Mr. Thorn was an editorial board member at Frontiers of Health Services Management and American College of Healthcare Executives. Lastly Thorn is a national speaker. He's spoken and written on subjects such as How to Start a Rural Telehealth Program and has been featured on Rural Health Leadership Radio.

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