HEALTH SERVICES AWARD

Andrew Harding, 2000

As a high school student, Andrew Harding volunteered at Brockton Hospital where his mother worked. That experience ignited in him a lifelong desire to serve others in a hospital setting, leading him to become a student in Saint Anselm's nursing program, and from there to a remarkable professional life of medical and academic achievement that culminated last fall in his appointment as Chief Executive Officer of the MetroWest Medical Center in Framingham, Massachusetts. There Drew oversees a healthcare network of 2,000 employees, and more importantly offers them in his daily work a model of healthcare expertise, disciplined work ethic, and sincere and compassionate care for the people whom he serves. Prior to being named CEO of MetroWest, Drew served there as Chief Nursing Officer, and before that he held positions of nursing leadership in some of the best hospitals in Massachusetts. A life member of both the Emergency Nurses' Association and the Academy of Emergency Nursing, he serves as Section Editor for the Journal of Emergency Nursing. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Healthcare Executives as well as the American Heart Association where he serves as an educator in their Basic Life Support, Advanced Life Support, and Pediatric Life Support courses. As a researcher Drew is the author of over 40 impactful peer reviewed publications that are widely cited among fellow researchers and practitioners. Significantly, Drew also devotes time and energy to mentoring Saint Anselm graduates and collaborating with Anselmians in and out of the health profession. Among the many lessons he witnessed as a young man at Brockton Hospital none was more indelible than the necessity of serving others in need, and the many impressive ways Drew has achieved professional success in the care and service of others makes us proud to honor him with the Saint Anselm Alumni Association's 2019 Health Services Award.