

**Gary Kaplan, Virginia Mason Health System**



Gary Kaplan, MD, FACP, FACMPE, FACPE, has served as chairman and CEO of the Virginia Mason Health System in Seattle since 2000. He is also a practicing internal medicine physician at Virginia Mason. Gary received a degree in medicine from the University of Michigan and is board certified in internal medicine. He completed his internal medicine residency at Virginia Mason and served as chief resident in 1980-1981. Gary is chair of the Lucian Leape Institute and past-chair of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement. He was a founding member of Health CEOs for Health Reform and has held leadership positions with numerous organizations, including the Medical Group Management Association, the Washington Healthcare Forum, and is a past chair of the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce. During Dr. Kaplan's tenure as chairman and CEO,

Virginia Mason has received significant national and international acclaim for its efforts to transform healthcare, most notably as the leader in adapting the Toyota Production System to healthcare. In 2017, Virginia Mason received the America's 50 Best Hospitals Award from Healthgrades, placing the medical center among the top 1% of hospitals in the nation for year-over-year superior clinical performance across a broad spectrum of care.

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