

Rulon F. Stacey, PhD, FACHE
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Rulon F. Stacey, PhD, FACHE, is president and chief executive officer, Poudre Valley Health System, Fort Collins, Colo.

He also serves as Chairman of the American College of Healthcare Executives, an international professional society of more than 35,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. With comprehensive programs in credentialing, education, career counseling, publications and research, ACHE works toward its goal of being the premier professional society for healthcare executives dedicated to improving healthcare delivery.

Board certified in healthcare management as an ACHE Fellow, Dr. Stacey previously served as an ACHE Governor from 2007 to 2010. He was the ACHE Regent for Colorado from 2004 to 2007. Dr. Stacey has been president and chief executive officer of Poudre Valley Health System since 1996. Under his leadership, the health system received the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 2008, one of only three winning organizations nationally and the only healthcare recipient. Prior to that, he was executive vice president and chief operating officer of St. Francis Hospital and Health Center, Blue Island, Ill., from 1994 to 1996; chief executive officer of St. Vincent General Hospital, Leadville, Colo., and Summit Medical Center, Frisco, Colo., from 1989 to 1994; and assistant administrator of Ninth Strategic Hospital, Beale Air Force Base, Calif., from 1986 to 1989.

Dr. Stacey received ACHE's Robert S. Hudgens Memorial Award for Young Healthcare Executive of the Year in 1999. He holds numerous board appointments, including chair of the Colorado Hospital Association Political Action Committee, member of its Compensation Committee and a member of the Medical Services Board of Colorado, to which he was appointed by the state's governor. He was chair of the board of directors of VHA Mountain States from 2006 to 2008, a member of the American Hospital Association's (AHA) Board of Trustees Committee on Governance from 2004 to 2007, the Colorado delegate for the AHA Regional Policy Board from 2002 to 2005, and a member of the Colorado Hospital Association's Board of Directors from 1999 to 2005.

He earned his doctoral degree in health policy from the University of Colorado at Denver and his master's degree in health administration and bachelor's degree in economics from Brigham Young University.