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Yehuda Dror is the President and CEO of DNV Healthcare Inc. the first hospital Accreditation Organization approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) as a hospital deeming authority in the last 30 years. DNV's accreditation is based on its NIAHOSM (National Integrated Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations) which offers healthcare provider organizations a new alternative to hospital accreditation that combines CMS's Conditions of Participation (CoP) with the proven success of the ISO 9001 quality management standard which assures that accreditation management asset for hospitals CEO who seek sustainable means to improve quality and patient safety. DNV Healthcare Inc. is a wholly owned US subsidiary of the international (tax-paying) foundation Det Norske Veritas (DNV), the leading provider of risk management and certification services around the world.



Yehuda is also serving as the DNV Corporate global sector manager for healthcare, and is responsible for developing and growing DNV's health services businesses in more than 100 countries. He has led DNV into number of system-wide health initiatives, including a national patient safety monitoring program with the U.K.'s National Health Service. DNV provides healthcare services because increasing patient safety and reducing errors in healthcare is an important part of DNV's corporate purpose of *Safeguarding Life, Property and the Environment*..

Yehuda Dror has more than 30 years experience in developing and implementing services that safeguard life, property and the environment. During his 27 years with DNV, Yehuda has held a variety of key technical and managerial positions across a wide spectrum of industries. He has been instrumental in the introduction of quality, environmental and safety management system certifications in the United States, exercising his knowledge and experience as a qualified lead assessor to build one of the leading certification bodies in the world.

Mr. Dror holds a Masters degree in engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an Executive MBA degree from the University of Houston and a Bachelors degree in engineering from Texas A&M University.

An avid skydiver and scuba diver, Yehuda is particularly intrigued by the published statistics that visiting a US hospital is seven time more risky than skydiving, and is determined to utilize his risk management and process management expertise to reduce Hospital risk and improve patient safety.