

## **Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees Description**

Trustees of Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital Foundation are important representatives of the Corewell Health Foundation West Michigan and hospital. These individuals hold a special passion for the unique needs of children and their families. The purpose of the Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital Foundation is to develop resources to save young lives and keep children safe and healthy.

Each trustee serves as a community advocate for the Foundation, the hospital and for Corewell Health because they wish to improve health, inspire hope and save lives. Trustees are engaged in identifying and inviting individuals, businesses, and community groups, to become a member of our donor family.

The Foundation will strive to make your experience rewarding and enjoyable, and help you to engage your time, talents and associations for the health and well-being of children and families.

The Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital Foundation is a committee of the Corewell Health Foundation West Michigan Board and is referred to as the Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital Foundation Board.

### **Length of Term**

Terms on the Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital Foundation shall be for three years. Trustees shall be elected by the HDVCHF Board based upon nominations from the Committee on Trusteeship and may be elected for additional terms. In addition, several trustees are ex-officio members, with voting rights, because of the position they hold. This includes the President of HDVCH, the immediate past Presidents of the Blodgett and Butterworth Auxiliaries and the Foundation President.

### **Meetings**

Board meetings are held quarterly. From time-to-time, there are special meetings such as the System Board Summit and Foundation Symposium.

### **Responsibilities**

Trustees serve with the knowledge and passion that they help save and change lives and promote the health and well-being of children by:

- Being a passionate advocate and ambassador
- Supporting the mission by making a personally meaningful gift

- Growing friends, deepening relationships and raising funds to advance and sustain services and programs
- Reviewing and setting annual and long-term fundraising plans
- Engaging in fundraising to meet annual and long-term goals. This may include working on behalf of areas of special interest such as neonatal, cancer, heart, neurosciences, to name a few.
- Helping thank and recognize donors
- Hearing from physicians and other experts in children's health to understand the vision, opportunities, and challenges to help determine what is appropriate and feasible for philanthropy

### **Leadership**

The Helen DeVos Children's Hospital Foundation will have a chair and vice chair. The chair shall serve as a trustee of the Corewell Health Foundation Board. Both the Chair and the Vice Chair serve as members of the Foundation Executive Committee.