

## HCA Biography:

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### **Jonathan B. Perlin, MD, PhD, MSHA, FACP, FACMI President, Clinical Services and Chief Medical Officer**

Dr. Jonathan B. Perlin is President, Clinical Services and Chief Medical Officer of Nashville, Tennessee-based HCA (Hospital Corporation of America). He provides strategic leadership for clinical services and continually improving performance at HCA's 170 hospitals and 168 outpatient centers. Current activities include developing and implementing electronic health records throughout HCA, improving clinical "core measures" to benchmark levels, and implementing advanced patient safety programs including efforts to eliminate preventable, drug resistant, healthcare-associated infections.

Before joining HCA in 2006, Dr. Perlin was Under Secretary for Health in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, as the senior-most physician in the Federal Government and Chief Executive Officer of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Dr. Perlin led the nation's largest integrated health system.

At VHA, Dr. Perlin directed care to over 5.4 million patients annually by more than 200,000 healthcare professionals at 1,400 sites, including hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, counseling centers and other facilities, with an operating and capital budget of over \$34 billion. A champion for implementation of electronic health records, Dr. Perlin led VHA quality performance to international and domestic recognition as reported in academic literature and lay press and as evaluated by RAND, Institute of Medicine, and others.

Dr. Perlin has served on numerous Boards and Commissions including the National Quality Forum, the Joint Commission, Meharry Medical College and the American Health Information Community. Broadly published in healthcare quality and transformation, he is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and the American College of Medical Informatics. Dr. Perlin has a Master's of Science in Health Administration and received his Ph.D. in pharmacology and toxicology (performing research in molecular neurobiology) with his M.D. as part of the Physician Scientist Training Program at Virginia Commonwealth University's Medical College of Virginia Campus.

Recognized as one of the 15 most influential physician executives in the United States by *Modern Healthcare*, Dr. Perlin has received numerous awards including Distinguished Alumnus in Medicine and Health Administration from his *alma mater*, the Founders Medal from the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, and is one of nine honorary members of the Special Forces Association and Green Berets.

Dr. Perlin has faculty appointments at Vanderbilt University as Adjunct Professor of Medicine and Biomedical Informatics and at Virginia Commonwealth University as Adjunct Professor of Health Administration.

Dr. Perlin resides in Nashville, Tennessee, with his wife, Donna, an Emergency Pediatrics Physician, and children, Ben and Sarah.