

## **Donald R. Avery, FACHE / 2011**



Donald R. Avery, FACHE, is president/CEO at Fairview Park Hospital in Dublin, Ga.

He also serves on the Board of Governors of the American College of Healthcare Executives, an international professional society of 30,000 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 as an ACHE Fellow, Avery was the ACHE Regent for Georgia—Coastal Plains from 2003 to 2006.

Avery was named president/CEO at Fairview Park Hospital in 2008. Prior to this, Avery was president/CEO at Hughston Orthopedic from 2004 to 2008. Before that, he was senior vice president of Physician and Ambulatory Care for the Columbus (Ga.) Regional Healthcare System, from 2000 to 2004, where his responsibilities included negotiating physician contracts. He also served South Georgia Medical Center, Valdosta, as vice president for Operations from 1988 to 2000. His previous roles included serving Baptist Medical Center, Jacksonville, Fla., as director for product line development, from 1987 to 1988, as administrative assistant to the COO in 1987, and administrative resident in 1986.

In addition to his service to ACHE, he has been a member of the boards of the Georgia Association of Healthcare Executives; Georgia Hospital Association; West Central Georgia Cancer Coalition; Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, serving as chairman of its Healthcare Committee; Calvary Christian School; and Columbus Technical College Foundation, serving as its chairman-elect.

Avery received his master's degree in hospital administration from the University of Florida and his bachelor's degree in management from the United States Air Force Academy.

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