



**“Meet Our CEO”**  
***Joanne Allen***  
***President and Chief Executive Officer***

Saint Louise Regional Hospital welcomes our new President and Chief Executive Officer, Joanne Allen; her tenure began Jan. 2, 2008. Joanne brings more than 25 years of experience in healthcare, including significant experience in medical group relationships, strategic planning, and operational improvement.

Joanne comes to Saint Louise directly from O’Connor Hospital in San Jose, California (another DCHS facility), where she held the Chief Operating Officer/Chief Strategic Officer role, driving initiatives to improve patient care, quality and safety outcomes, participating in Leapfrog, IHI, Magnet hospital designation, CHART and the CMS demonstration project. She facilitated leadership development within the medical staff, creating true partnerships through engaging physicians in board committees and process improvement teams.

"Saint Louise is truly a hospital that needs some business development," Allen said. "Saint Louise hasn't really captured the majority of the market share in its area and there's room for that. That's my strength. There are opportunities for growth." Allen plans to do this by partnering with medical staff and strengthening existing relationships.

"I am thrilled to welcome Joanne as a leader at Saint Louise Regional Hospital," said Robert Issai, president and CEO of DCHS. "Her unique set of skills, familiarity with the South Bay market, and demonstrated ability in business development will be a tremendous asset to Saint Louise."

Originally from Los Gatos, she has lived in the Bay Area most of her life. She earned a Master's degree in health care administration and a Bachelor's degree in business administration, both from San Jose State University.

Saint Louise Regional Hospital will benefit greatly from Joanne’s team building skills, familiarity with the South County market, and demonstrated ability in business development. Please join with us in welcoming Joanne to Saint Louise Regional Hospital.