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**Donald R. Gintzig, FACHE**  
**President & CEO**  
**WakeMed Health & Hospitals**



Donald Gintzig joined WakeMed Health & Hospitals as president & CEO on October 25, 2013. In this role, he is responsible for leading the 919-bed, private not for profit teaching and tertiary health system with more than 8,500 employees, 1,200 physicians on its medical staff, 1,500 volunteers and one million patient encounters each year. WakeMed has two acute care hospitals, the highest level of critical care available in Wake County, , a Level 1 Trauma Center and seven emergency departments, a Children's Hospital, the area's premier heart center, a full-service rehabilitation hospital, numerous outpatient facilities and primary and specialty care physician practices.

Gintzig has served as CEO/COO for hospitals across the country, including St. Thomas Health Service in Nashville, Tenn., The Pottsville Hospital and Warne Clinic and Schuylkill Health Care Services in Pottsville, Pa., Lutheran General Hospital in San Antonio, Texas, and Brazosport Memorial Hospital in Lake Jackson, Texas. He has also served as CEO and senior vice president of military and veterans services for United Health Group in Minneapolis, Minn.

Gintzig has over twenty five years of progressive civilian and military senior executive healthcare management experience. In the Navy, Gintzig held positions of increasing responsibility, including deputy commander (COO) of Navy Medicine East, vice commander for U.S. Navy Reserve Forces Command, deputy commander (COO) for Navy Medicine West and most recently acting deputy surgeon general of the Navy for the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, assistant deputy surgeon general for Reserve Affairs and deputy chief, Medical Operations and Future Plans. During his military career, he has overseen more than 150,000 individuals, 40 military treatment facilities and 200+ clinics, and budgets of more than \$7 billion.

The list of community and trade organizations Gintzig has been involved with during his career is extensive. He currently serves on the Board of the North Carolina Hospital Association (chair), the North Carolina Chamber Board, and the Raleigh Chamber Board of Advisors. He is also serves on the Membership Committee of America's Essential Hospitals and as a delegate with the American Hospital Association. Past involvements include the Tennessee Hospital Association, American College of Healthcare Executives, Military Officers Association of America, Naval Reserve Association and the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States.

Gintzig earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Finance and a Master of Business Administration in Accounting from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He completed his post-Masters Hospital Administration Fellowship at South Miami Hospital in Miami, FL. He is married and has three grown daughters.