

## **Bio - Sherry B. Perkins, PhD, RN, FAAN**

Dr. Perkins serves as President at 400 bed Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center (LHAAMC), Luminis Health McNew Family Medical Center (behavioral health facility), and Luminis Health Pathways (alcohol and substance use facility). LHAAMC is one of the busiest hospitals in Maryland with exemplary performance in behavioral health, cancer, emergency, obstetrics, orthopedic, and surgical specialties. Dr. Perkins served as LHAAMC chief nursing officer and chief operating officer from 2006 until 2016 and led the system to top decile results and Magnet recognition.

Dr. Perkins is adjunct associate professor at the University of Maryland School of Nursing and on the Board of Directors for United Way of Central Maryland, the Anne Arundel Chamber of Commerce, the Mount St. Mary's University School of Health Advisory Board, and Washington and Jefferson College Health Sciences Task Force. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing. Significant leadership assignments have included chair of the Maryland Hospital Association Quality Committee and roles on the board of the Maryland Hospital Association and the Maryland Patient Safety Center. Career contributions include national leadership in patient and family centered care and standardized nurse residencies. She served as President of Maryland Organization of Nurse Leaders and Chief Executive of the Maryland Nurse Residency Collaborative which is the nation's first statewide nurse residency collaborative. Most recently, she served on the National Nurse Staffing Think Tank and as Co-Chair of the National Nurse Staffing Task Force. This Task Force grew from the collaborative efforts of the Partners for Nurse Staffing: AACN, ANA, AONL, HFMA, and IHI.

As a frequent writer and presenter, Perkins has contributed to more than 120 publications. She has been honored with the YWCA Tribute to Women and Industry, the Maryland Nurses Association Outstanding Leadership Award, and has been named an Influential Marylander and to the Health Care Power List by The Daily Record.

Perkins holds a BSN from Baylor University, MS from Texas Woman's University and a PhD from the University of Kansas. She is also a graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania Fellows Program in Management for Nurse Executives and the Brown University Leadership and Performance Coaching Program.