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Region's largest physician group names new CEO

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A UC Health physician and the longtime chair of the Department of Orthopedic Surgery at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine has been tapped as the new CEO of Greater Cincinnati's largest physician group.

Dr. Michael Archdeacon will assume the head role with UC Physicians and as senior associate dean of clinical affairs at the College of Medicine effective July 1, per an internal announcement. Archdeacon will retain his current position as chair.

Archdeacon will replace Dr. Myles Pensak, who has served as CEO of UC Physicians since August 2011. Pensak in October announced his plans to step away from all his leadership positions at the UC College of Medicine and UC Physicians effective June 30.

Archdeacon's appointment was ratified by the UC Physicians board of directors late last week based on the recommendation of Dr. Andrew Filak, senior VP for health affairs, Christian Holmes



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Dr. Michael Archdeacon.

professor and dean of the College of Medicine. Filak also serves as UC Physicians' board president and chair.

Filak said Archdeacon's previous experience was a top factor in the selection. In addition to CEO, Archdeacon will serve as senior associate dean for clinical affairs at the College of Medicine.

"His excellent management of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery has prepared him well for this next important role, and I know that under his leadership UC Physicians will continue to flourish," Filak said in the announcement.

Archdeacon joined the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at UC in 2001 and was named its chairman in 2013. Archdeacon has also served as chief of staff for UC Medical Center from 2008-2012 and as the medical director of operative services for UC Health from 2011-2020.

Archdeacon is currently president-elect of the Orthopaedic Trauma Association board of directors, president of the Ohio Orthopaedic Society and is a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons board of councilors and state orthopaedic societies committee.

"Our physician practice has exceeded expectations in every capacity, (and) I will do my best to serve our organization and continue the forward momentum we have gained over the last 10 years," Archdeacon said in a statement.

Pensak, meanwhile, will also be stepping down as chair of the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and as Helen Bernice Broidy chair, positions he has held since 2005. Pensak plans to continue seeing patients and will focus more on academic and research efforts.

UC Physicians is the faculty practice group of the UC College of Medicine and the physician division of UC Health. Its physicians also staff UC Health's flagship hospital, UC Medical Center. With a roster of around 865, it's the largest physician group in Greater Cincinnati. Its revenues for the 2020 fiscal year topped \$300 million.

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