



Tom Fritz
Chief Executive Officer
Inland Northwest Health Services

Thomas M. Fritz brings management and policy expertise to Inland Northwest Health Services (INHS). As Chief Executive Officer of INHS, Tom administers a 102 bed freestanding physical rehabilitation and medicine hospital; an ever-growing, comprehensive integrated hospital information technology system that manages more than 45,000 users in hospitals, clinics and physicians offices and over 3.5 million electronic medical records; a multi-state critical care air ambulance service; and a wide-spread network of more than 100 telemedicine units throughout the Northwest. The innovative INHS information technology network is consistently mentioned as a national model of success, with 18 hospitals recognized in 2008 as the “100 Most Wired” in the nation by *Hospitals and Health Networks* magazine.

Tom’s more than 25 years of experience working in direct patient care as well as government, non-profit and for-profit health care systems provides the depth and breadth of knowledge to lead the wide variety of services provided by INHS. He has a proven track record of developing and improving financial and regulatory stability of freestanding and government-based health care facilities through innovative thinking and his ability to bring multiple parties together to create solutions.

Tom is actively involved in public policy. His role with INHS provides a broad viewpoint and perspective into how policies impact a variety of health care services, and his experience working with government officials provides insight into how public policy shapes the future of the health care industry.

A member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, Tom was appointed to serve as the American Hospital Association (AHA) designee on the board of directors for National eHealth Collaborative (formerly AHIC Successor, Inc.), a public-private partnership driving the development of a secure, interoperable nationwide health information system and the board of trustees for the Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology (CCHIT), an independent, not-for-profit organization whose mission is to create an efficient, credible and sustainable product certification program. Tom is also a member of the Board of Directors for the National Alliance of Health Information Technology; the eHealth Initiative’s Leadership Council and the Policy Steering Committee; past member of the WA State Health Information Infrastructure Advisory Board addressing state-wide health information exchange; co-chair of the Washington Life Sciences Discovery Fund Coalition; and a member of the board of directors for the Washington Biotechnology & Biomedical Association. He is a previous chairperson of the American Hospital Association Governing Council Section for Rehabilitation, Long-Term Care & Long-Term Acute Care Hospitals.

Tom has served on a number of community Boards including chairperson of the Spokane Workforce Development Council; chairperson of the Economic Development Council and vice-chair of the Greater Spokane Incorporated. He serves in advisory capacities to Washington State University and Whitworth University and on the Board of Trustees for the Spokane Society of Young Professionals.

Tom holds a BA and MA degrees from California State University and a MPA from Lewis & Clark University, Portland, Oregon.