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Rita Parisi is CEO of Eastern Rehabilitation Network (ERN), vice president of Rehabilitation Services for Hartford Hospital and vice president of Hartford HealthCare. ERN is the largest rehabilitation network in Connecticut, consisting of a combination of ERN/Hartford Hospital-owned sites and contract management sites. ERN manages the physical rehabilitation services for six hospitals, as well as home-care agencies, skilled nursing facilities and school systems. Through Hartford Hospital, ERN employs more than 300 clinicians, many of whom have advanced degrees and specialty certifications. The network has more than 500,000 patient visits annually.

Hartford HealthCare (HHC) has more than 15,000 employees in more than 80 communities in Connecticut. In addition to ERN, HHC includes Hartford Hospital; The Hospital of Central Connecticut; MidState Medical Center; Windham Hospital; The Institute of Living psychiatric center; VNA HealthCare; Hartford Medical Group; the Doctors of Central Connecticut; MidState Medical Group; Central Connecticut Senior Health Services, which includes five assisted-living and skilled nursing facilities; and two regional behavioral health centers, Rushford and Natchaug Hospital.

Ms. Parisi has more than 30 years experience in rehabilitation management, including acute care, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation, home care and long-term care. She is a national surveyor for the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for physical rehabilitation and is an active instructor in allied health collegiate programs. She has written several articles on recruitment and retention and strategic decision making and has presented at several national conferences.

Ms. Parisi serves on the University of Hartford's Board of Regents, the Hartt School (University of Hartford) Advisory Board and the Quinnipiac University School of Allied Health Advisory Board.

She has a Bachelor of Science in occupational therapy from Quinnipiac University and is a graduate of Leadership Greater Hartford's Quest Program.