

David Higginson

Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer



David Higginson joined Phoenix Children's in 2011 as the Chief Information Officer. As CIO, he oversaw all aspects of information and technology strategy, execution and design of systems implementation and growth and maintenance of the technology infrastructure. As Chief Administrative Officer, David is responsible for Human Resources, Information Technology, Process Optimization, and Materials Management. In addition, he is responsible for executive oversight of the Chan Soon-Shiong Children's Precision Medicine Institute at Phoenix Children's.

Higginson is also an innovator and entrepreneur. He successfully launched and developed his own healthcare software company, commercialized numerous innovations into patents and successful products, and is passionate about process improvement and operational efficiency. He speaks regularly at children's hospital and healthcare IT conferences on the evolving role of technology as the efficiency platform that underpins care delivery, and the importance of the IT team as leaders of operational change.

Prior to taking his position at Phoenix Children's, Higginson was Chief Information Technology Officer at Arkansas Children's Hospital (ACH) in Little Rock, Arkansas. During his tenure at ACH, he implemented more than 500 systems and was instrumental in building the IT department as the hospital doubled in size. In 2003, Higginson was named one of the top 40 executives under 40 in Arkansas by the Business Journal.

After obtaining his degree in accounting/finance from University of Liverpool in the United Kingdom, he qualified as a Chartered Management Accountant in 1994 while working as an investment analyst in London. Since the age of ten, he began developing computer systems and combined his keen interest in computing with his financial expertise when he developed systems for Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.) and the UK's Royal Mail.

About Phoenix Children's Hospital

Phoenix Children's Hospital is Arizona's only children's hospital recognized by U.S. News & World Report's Best Children's Hospitals with rankings in all ten specialties. Phoenix Children's provides world-class inpatient, outpatient, trauma, emergency and urgent care to children and families in Arizona and throughout the Southwest. As one of the largest children's hospitals in the country, Phoenix Children's provides care across more than 75 pediatric specialties. The Hospital is poised for continued growth in quality patient care, research and medical education. For more information about the hospital, visit <http://www.phoenixchildrens.org>.