



Dear Colleagues,

I am writing today to inform you that Bob Chrencik has resigned from his position as president and CEO of UMMS, effective immediately.

As you know, Mr. Chrencik was placed on a leave of absence, while we look into the governance issues surrounding our Board of Directors. Today, the Board of Directors and I accepted Mr. Chrencik's resignation and believe it is in the best interest of the organization, our employees and providers, and the communities we serve.

Under Mr. Chrencik's leadership, UMMS has grown into a 13 hospital health system with 28,000 employees and 4,000 affiliated physicians who care for patients in more than 150 locations across the state. We appreciate everything Mr. Chrencik has done to further the UMMS mission over the past 35 years, and look forward to continuing that work.

I will continue to serve as the interim president and CEO and want to assure you – as I have previously – this development will not change our day-to-day operations. Still, I remain committed to keeping you informed of future developments and will continue to do so regarding the search for our new president and CEO.

Thank you for all you do every day to provide quality, compassionate care to our patients throughout Maryland and beyond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John W. Ashworth III". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

John W. Ashworth III
Interim President and CEO
University of Maryland Medical System