

Helen A. Cunning

Dynamic and dedicated, Helen A. Cunning is north regional president and chief development officer of the Hackensack Meridian Health Foundation. In this role, she is responsible for leading key fundraising initiatives in support of the Hackensack University Medical Center, Palisades Medical Center and patient-focused programs, as well as leading vital endeavors in support of the Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine and the Center for Discovery and Innovation. Ms. Cunning engages with key leaders and generous supporters, expanding through the Hackensack Meridian Health Network, sharing in a vision to transform health care, she serves as a leader of positive change.

Ms. Cunning joined Hackensack University Medical Center in 2003 as director of Institutional Campaigns, advancing to executive director of Development. She served as interim chief development officer at three key intervals, leading the Foundation team as it exceeded its annual fundraising goals and established significant support for the new School of Medicine.

Committed to the health network's mission to provide the highest quality, human-centered care, delivering outcomes that matter most with excellence as the standard, Ms. Cunning has led successful initiatives to elevate Foundation protocols, by developing best practice policies, procedures, and programs to ensure compliance with medical center and legal policies, as well as fostering the Foundation's unwavering commitment to donor stewardship.