



Danielle Gathje, MBA, CHFM, SASHE **2024 Candidate for Advisory Board President-Elect** **Bio**

Danielle M. Gathje, MBA, CHFM, SASHE, currently serves as the Vice President of Hospital Operations, MHealth Fairview St. John's Hospital located in Maplewood, MN. In her role, Danielle is responsible for overseeing operations and management of the hospital's ancillary and support matrixed departments along with surgical services and emergency department. Danielle is a highly skilled operations leader with widespread experience driving results. She has expertise in hospital strategy, operational innovation and efficiency, facility management, emergency management and employee safety. She is recognized for her leadership capabilities and is driven to improve hospital operations and patient quality and safety through the hospital-built environment.

After receiving her Bachelor of Science degree from University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Danielle went on to earn her MBA degree from the University of St. Thomas. She received her Certified Healthcare Facility Manager (CHFM) certification in 2015 through the American Hospital Association (AHA) and currently serves as the American Society for Health Care Engineering (ASHE) Region 6 Advisory Board member. Danielle received the Regional Leader Award in August 2017 from the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE). She also received the Minnesota Engineer of the Year Award in 2018. Danielle currently participates on the Members Tools Committee and ASHE Rapid Response Task Force. She previously served five years on the board for the Twin City Healthcare Engineering Association (TCHEA) and on the executive board for the Minnesota Healthcare Engineers Association (MHCEA). Danielle also serves on the Century College Foundation Board and volunteers on the MN Crohn's and Colitis Gala Committee.

Danielle considers herself a lifelong learner and has continued to develop both professionally and personally through professional organizations, educational institutions, and volunteerism on committees. She believes that collaboration provides a profound opportunity and atmosphere to learn from others to drive better outcomes in the healthcare industry.