



## David H. Freed, DHA, FACHE

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Dr. David Freed is Senior Director, Administrative Services, for New York University Student Health Center, which offers comprehensive health and wellness services for more than 50,000 students around the world. His previous healthcare career focused on difficult hospital turnarounds and under his leadership several hospitals improved their financial performance, built distinctive clinical programs, and successfully pursued the system relationships, patient satisfaction, financial, and clinical performance improvement strategies required for sustained success. His experience includes positions as Deputy Commissioner of Hospitals, County of Rockland, NY; President & CEO, Nyack Hospital, Nyack, NY; President, Overlook Hospital, Summit, NJ; Vice President & Associate Hospital Director, Hahnemann University & Hospital, Philadelphia, PA; and Vice President & Associate Hospital Director, The Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York, NY. He has degrees from the Medical University of South Carolina (Doctor of Health Administration), New York University (MS Health Services Management and MBA), and Cornell University (BS Hotel Administration). Dr. Freed is a Fellow of the NY Academy of Medicine; a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives; the author of more than fifty professional publications; a healthcare project reviewer and subject matter expert for Southern New Hampshire University; and an active participant in diverse professional activities including the Editorial Board of The Health Care Manager and the Board of Trustees of New Bridge Medical Center.

## What advice would you give to an incoming DHA student?

There is a direct correlation between how little I wanted to study certain subjects and how incredibly valuable they have proven to be in the workplace and in life! I've yet to meet the student who is not anxious to take a statistics course, but I am a different person as the result of doing so. I now see bell curves everywhere I go, and I can view important decisions along a continuum of probable outcomes. The increased array of possibilities has afforded me a genuinely more expansive outlook at work and at home alike. So have confidence that every subject is in the DHA curriculum for a good reason and take full advantage now of an extraordinary opportunity to expand your viewpoint later.

MUSC DHA Graduate:  
2009

Doctoral Project:  
Preferences for Gender of  
Surgeon Among Women with  
Breast Cancer

Doctoral Project Chair:  
James Zoller, Ph.D.