

UpHealth Announces Samuel J. Meckey as New Chief Executive Officer



Meckey, a veteran healthcare leader in leading global institutions, will join the company in July

UpHealth, Samuel J. Meckey will join UpHealth, Inc. as Chief Executive Officer in July. The appointment was announced by Dr. Avi Katz, Co-Chairman of the company's Board of Directors.

"Sam has considerable healthcare experience in publicly traded companies and a consistent track record of delivering exceptional results," said Dr. Katz. "The Board and I are confident that his experience and expertise will accelerate UpHealth's transformation and growth. Sam excels at building winning teams, creating a client-first culture, driving innovation that meets market needs and delivering against operational excellence goals."

Meckey was most recently Executive Vice President and Head of Healthcare at EXLService Holdings, Inc., a leading data analytics, digital operations, technology and solutions company. During his tenure, he integrated five separate businesses into one cohesive operating unit and developed the strategic plan to double the business's size, grew revenues and net income, increased gross margin and significantly improved return on invested capital.

Prior to joining EXL, he was President of Optum Global Solutions, overseeing the company's global operations and technology services organization. There, Mr. Meckey was responsible for more than 35,000 employees in India, the Philippines, Brazil, and the United States. Under his leadership, revenue and earnings significantly increased.

Before beginning his career in healthcare, Mr. Meckey was an officer and pilot in the United States Navy. He completed his undergraduate work in economics at the United States Naval Academy and earned a master's degree from Harvard Business School.

"It is an honor to join UpHealth almost one year into its journey as a publicly traded company," said Mr. Meckey. "The company's potential to effect positive change in healthcare globally is enormous, as is its potential for growth in every aspect of its businesses. I look forward to collaborating with the accomplished leadership team at the company to deliver exceptional results for our clients and shareholders."

Mr. Meckey replaces Dr. Ramesh Balakrishnan, whom the company announced would be moving to another role last month. Dr. Balakrishnan will become the company's Chief Strategy Officer when Mr. Meckey joins. Until that time, he will serve as Chief Executive Officer and will be instrumental in Mr. Meckey's transition into the company.

"Sam and I have had the opportunity to get acquainted, and I see him as a dynamic, ambitious and high integrity leader who will guide us toward our mission to power the world's most trusted health institutions to achieve their access, quality and affordability goals. His strong client orientation, disciplined approach to operations and passion for innovation will materially accelerate our progress as an institution. I'm eager to partner with him in my new role and am confident the company will see much success under this leadership," said Dr. Balakrishnan.

Dr. Katz said, "When the Board and I announced last month that we were seeking a new Chief Executive Officer, we said that our ideal candidate would be a proven leader with deep expertise in healthcare, services and technology institutions and with demonstrated operational excellence experience. Sam fits all these criteria—and more. We are looking forward to collaborating with Sam as he shapes our journey toward becoming a leading institution in healthcare."

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