

Dan Onorato Biography

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Daniel A. Onorato is the executive vice president, chief corporate affairs officer for Highmark Health, a \$27.1 billion blended health organization that includes one of America's largest Blue Cross Blue Shield insurers and a growing regional hospital and physician network. Based in Pittsburgh, PA, Highmark Health's 44,000 employees serve millions of customers nationwide through the nonprofit organization's affiliated businesses, including Highmark Inc., Allegheny Health Network, HM Insurance Group, United Concordia Dental, Helion and enGen.

Mr. Onorato has a broad portfolio of responsibilities, including public policy, government and regulatory affairs, community investment and corporate communications. He serves as chairman of the Highmark Foundation, executive director of the Highmark Caring Foundation, and on the board of directors and executive committee of the Jefferson Regional Foundation.

Mr. Onorato also serves on the board of directors for the Pennsylvania Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce, the Allegheny County Parks Foundation, and the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry. In addition, he is a member of the America's Health Insurance Plans policy and regulatory affairs committee.

Before joining Highmark Health, Mr. Onorato served two terms as the chief executive for Allegheny County. Prior to that, he served as Allegheny County's controller and two terms on the Pittsburgh city council.

Mr. Onorato's professional background also includes work as an attorney and certified public accountant (CPA).

Mr. Onorato graduated from Penn State University with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He earned his juris doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law.

Mr. Onorato and his wife, Shelly, reside in the Pittsburgh area and are proud parents of three young adults.

Current Board of Director affiliations include:

- Allegheny County Parks Foundation
- Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce
- Highmark Caring Foundation
- Highmark Foundation
- Jefferson Regional Foundation
- Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry
- Pittsburgh Public Theater

Interviews/Articles:

Highmark Health Digital Magazine, October 2020: Remarkable Leadership: Meet Dan Onorato, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer

https://www.highmarkhealth.org/blog/future/Remarkable-Leadership-Meet-Dan-Onorato-Chief-Corporate-Affairs-Officer.shtml

"Going to the next level, we're taking all that expertise, those different parts of the health experience, and blending it together around a very strong customer-clinician relationship. We're creating a health experience model we call Living Health that we believe will be the winning solution to what customers will want, and at the same time will help lower overall costs. Working for Highmark Health, we are fortunate to have the opportunity to take what we built so far and now expand it, accelerate it. It's an exciting time to be here."

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, August 2020: Community and health care groups announce plans for 'breathtaking' 45,000 square-foot homeless shelter in Downtown

https://www.post-gazette.com/news/social-services/2020/08/25/Coalitions-cooperative-plans-new-homeless-shelter-Downtown-Pittsburgh-services-mail-low-barrier/stories/202008250084

"Public-private partnerships are at the core of some of the most successful initiatives in our community and represent Highmark's commitment to creating and growing healthier and more vital communities in the process. That's why Highmark has committed \$5 million to this project and AHN is proud to be part of the Steering Committee. We are a stronger community when we all work collaboratively to address issues and solve problems that impact our region."

Pittsburgh Business Times, April 2020: Highmark donates \$2 million to support community organizations

https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2020/04/02/highmark-donates-2-million-to-support-community.html

"'We are drawing from a variety of grant making streams at Highmark to have a unified and more impactful approach to help address critically-pressing, community-focused pandemic needs,' said Dan Onorato, executive vice president of Corporate Affairs at Highmark Health. 'Now more than ever, we can work to align funding in the most needed areas.'"

Beaver County Times, April 2020: Aunt Bertha: A new tool for accessing social services now available

https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/healthcare/2020/04/13/auntbertha-new-tool-for/1360494007/

"At this critical time, we understood the importance of fast-tracking our implementation of the Aunt Bertha tool. Connecting those in need of food, housing, and other resources to social service agencies that can address those needs is a priority for Highmark."

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, November 2019: Highmark, with focus on workforce training, adds to \$65 million CCAC drive

https://www.post-gazette.com/news/education/2019/11/18/Community-College-of-Allegheny-County-fundraising-Highmark-AGH-nursing-workforce/stories/201911180115

"This investment will significantly impact the lives of North Side residents, bridge employment gaps and further develop a diverse health care workforce that mirrors the North Side community."