
Lynn Erdman, RN, MN, OCNS, FAAN
Vice President, Community Health



Lynn Erdman is Vice President of Community Health for Susan G. Komen Global Headquarters®. Lynn is also serving as a member of the Interim Leadership Team at Komen representing all Mission departments.

Lynn's responsibilities at Komen include overseeing 2000 community grants, totaling \$ 100 million, awarded across the nation. She also manages all corporate grants awarded to Komen nationally and some internationally. Lynn is also responsible for Komen's educational materials and the helpline for patients and families seeking support from Komen.

Lynn possesses extensive healthcare and research experience. She worked over 25 years in hospitals and healthcare systems in various roles ranging from oncology clinical nurse specialist to Vice President of Cancer Services. Lynn has helped care for thousands of women and men with breast cancer. Lynn was the founding Director of the Presbyterian Cancer Center in Charlotte, NC and was responsible for creating all programs from medical oncology to surgical oncology to research, transplant and palliative care.

Before Komen, Lynn served as Divisional Vice President of Medical Affairs for the American Cancer Society. Her duties included developing effective partnerships with healthcare providers, researchers, community health leaders and volunteers and serving as an advocate for women's health with government leaders.

Lynn received her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro where she was recently named to the Board of Visitors and her Masters in Nursing with a minor in Education and Healthcare Administration from the University of South Carolina. She serves as Consulting Faculty for Duke University's Graduate School of Nursing.

Lynn's history with Komen began as a volunteer when she helped start the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure® in Charlotte in 1997. She has also been the recipient of several community grants from Komen over the years.

Lynn has published numerous articles and chapters in books on topics related to oncology, state cancer plans and customer service. She is a nationally recognized speaker, having given over 750 lectures in the United States and abroad. Her topics cover a variety of subjects including cancer center and breast center development, state cancer plan implementation, advocacy, grant making, community organizing, clinical trials expansion, supportive care options, ethics in cancer care, living with change, making choices, improving customer service plus various motivational topics.

Lynn's talents have been tapped by volunteer organizations across the country. She has served on the national boards and Task Forces for many cancer organizations such as the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers, the Oncology Nursing Society, CALGB, the American College of Surgeons, the American Cancer Society, Oncology Supply, the Association of Community Cancer Centers and Purdue Pharma to name a few.

Lynn was the first woman and first nurse to serve as the Chair of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Committee nationally for ACS. Lynn recently completed a 4 year term, appointed by the Governor, as Chair of the North Carolina Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control.



She has been recognized by nursing colleagues as the recipient of the top nursing honor, being named a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN).

Locally, Lynn Serves on the Board of Directors for Charlotte Rescue Mission which provides temporary housing, rehabilitation and medical care for men and women needing a second chance at life. She just completed serving as Chair of the Board for the Center for Healthy Living which gives senior citizens a new lease on life.

Lynn is married to David Erdman, a prominent Charlotte Attorney and they have two grown daughters.

Lynn is a caring, very experienced professional who brings years of experience to our efforts to grow and expand Komen's mission and community health programs.

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