

Leadership Profiles



Jamesina E. "Jai" Henderson **Chief Executive Officer**

Ms. Henderson joined Cornell Scott – Hill Health Center in July of 2009 as CEO following an extensive national search conducted by the Corporation's Board of Directors. She came to Cornell Scott – Hill Health Center after leading T.H.E. Clinic, a pioneering community health center committed to underserved persons in south Los Angeles.

Throughout her multifaceted career, Jai has been an insightful and agile leader, collaborator and consensus builder. Her strengths include the ability to balance a results-oriented focus with strong leader skills that allow her to coach and counsel her management teams to achieve organizational excellence.

While at T.H.E., she led a financial and operational turnaround of the center while also focusing on improving quality of care, elevating it to be an employer of choice and fostering a culture of compassionate accountability among its workforce. In addition to Henderson's experience as T.H.E.'s chief executive, her healthcare experience includes:

- developing stroke outreach programming in association with one of the nation's leading neurosurgeons and a world-renowned healthcare system;
- serving as a key executive for one of the first prepaid health plans to serve poor and minority communities in Los Angeles; and,
- lecturing students at Charles R. Drew Post Graduate Medical School, UCLA School of Public Health and Howard University Medical School.

In addition to forging creative community partnerships within healthcare, she has also excelled at developing collaborations in other areas. Notable among her achievements are:

- leading a strategic partnership study that led to the development of LAUP, an innovative county-wide early education network and funding organization; and,
- significant experience in business development efforts, including serving as executive director for the state of California's Business Revitalization Center.

Henderson received her B.A. degree in sociology/psychology from Howard University in Washington, DC, and her M.B.A. from the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania.