

Sarah E. Pacini, JD, RN
Chief Executive Officer, Cooperative of American Physicians, Inc.

Sarah E. Pacini, JD, RN assumed leadership of the Cooperative of American Physicians, Inc. (CAP) in February 2015. As the chief executive officer of CAP and The Mutual Protection Trust (MPT), she draws on her extensive leadership background in health care, law, patient safety, risk management, captive insurance, and medical professional liability to direct CAP's core businesses – MPT and the CAPAssurance Risk Purchasing Group, which provide access to superior medical professional liability protection, patient safety education, and risk management services.

Prior to joining CAP, Ms. Pacini was corporate vice president of risk management and insurance, president of the Advocate Physician Partners Risk Purchasing Group, and chair of Advocate Insurance SPC for Chicago-based Advocate Health Care, Illinois' largest health system.

During her tenure at Advocate Health Care, Ms. Pacini was responsible for developing, implementing, and directing the system-wide insurance, risk financing, risk management, and claims management programs to ensure a consistent and optimal approach to minimizing liability and risk exposure. Under her leadership and through her vigilant governance of litigation, utilization of risk financing alternatives, and fostering of strategic insurance partner relationships, the organization built a multi-million dollar reserve and significantly reduced expenses.

Early in her career, Ms. Pacini worked as a trauma nurse at a level I emergency department and as a prosecutor in the criminal division of the McHenry County State's Attorney's Office. She was also an adjunct associate professor at Valparaiso University in Indiana, an expert speaker on clinical-legal issues to physicians and nurses, and lobbyist on behalf of the insurance and health care industries before the U.S. Congress.

A Nursing graduate of Purdue University School Calumet, Ms. Pacini earned her Juris Doctor degree (Summa Cum Laude) from DePaul University College of Law with a Certificate in Health Law. Ms. Pacini currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Captive Insurance Companies Association.

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