



David J. Bailey, MD, MBA
President and Chief Executive Officer

*“Everything we do must be for the child.
If it’s not, then we need to reconsider why
we are doing it.”*



Dr. David Bailey was named President and Chief Executive Officer of The Nemours Foundation by the Board of Directors in April, 2006.

With the goal of establishing Nemours as a pre-eminent voice for children, Dr. Bailey has sharpened Nemours’ strategic focus and concentrated its investments on four overarching strategic goals: Care for every child as if they were our own; be a leader in improving children’s health through Nemours’ integrated system; be a great place to work; be effective stewards of all of our assets, continually improving them to advance Nemours’ Mission.

In furtherance of these goals, Nemours has improved operating efficiency, execution, and financial performance. An intense focus on addressing the health needs of families and children has led to the construction of a new children’s hospital in Florida (opening in 2012) and plans for complete refurbishment of the inpatient facilities of the Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children in Delaware.

Dr. Bailey graduated in 1973 from West Virginia University *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa in Biology. After earning his medical degree from The Pennsylvania State University in 1977, he completed an internship and residency program in Pediatrics at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Dr. Bailey’s Army Medical Corp service included duty as a pediatrician at Fort Rucker, Alabama; a clinical professor appointment to the Uniformed Services Medical School as director for medical student pediatric clinical training; completion of a fellowship in Pediatric Gastroenterology at the University of Florida; and appointment as Chief of Pediatric Gastroenterology at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, HI. After leaving the military in 1987, Dr. Bailey established the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology at the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children in Orlando. With a burgeoning interest in health care administration, Dr. Bailey pursued a Masters of Business Administration at the University of South Florida, earning his degree in 1996. In 1997 he joined Nemours when the Nemours Children’s Clinic—Orlando opened. Dr. Bailey became familiar with all the Nemours campuses as he moved to Pensacola, FL in 1999 to become Chief Executive of the Practice and returned to Orlando in 2002 as Chief Executive for all physician practices in Florida, overseeing Nemours operations in Pensacola, Orlando and Jacksonville. In 2003, he was appointed the first Chief Operating Officer of Nemours at which time he moved to Jacksonville with responsibility for day-to-day operations for all Nemours entities in the Delaware Valley and Florida.

Dr. Bailey has been married to his college sweetheart, Ginny, for 36 years and is the proud father of three daughters, Jennifer, Kathryn and Rebecca.