## Ela Lena, President and CE Southern Regional Medical Center Bio

In August, Ela Lena, MSL, BSN, FACHE, was named Southern Regional Medical Center's new President and Chief Executive Officer. She joins Southern Regional and Prime Healthcare with over 30 years of healthcare experience. She previously served as System Chief Operating Officer and CEO at Bethesda Health in Boynton Beach, Florida. Earlier in her career, Ms. Lena served as COO at Florida Medical Center in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and Vice President of Operations at SurgiCare Surgical Associates in New Jersey. In addition, Ms. Lena has served in various leadership roles at Broward Health in Florida.

A seasoned healthcare executive, Ms. Lena is a skilled strategic planner with a sense of urgency to deliver integrated, patient-focused solutions and high-quality, compassionate care. Additionally, her strengths include cultivating a culture of mentorship and developing strong leaders who focus on achieving their goals while setting the stage for staff engagement and support and the organizational success.

Ms. Lena earned a Master of Science in Leadership Organizational Behavior from Nova Southeastern University and a Bachelor of Science from the University of Phoenix, Florida. She is currently working toward her Doctorate of Business Administration – Healthcare.