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Greg Vigdor is President and CEO of the Washington Health Foundation—a not-for-profit corporation that is leading the way in making Washington the Healthiest State in the Nation by building Healthy Systems and promoting Healthy Living through involvement of providers, leaders and local communities in the largest civic engagement project for health in state history.

Greg founded the Washington Health Foundation in 1992 with a funding idea and a vision for creating a unique health leadership organization that could contribute to dramatic improvements in health and health care for the people of Washington. Over the past 15 years he has built the organizational framework, infrastructure and creative programs for achieving this vision. The Foundation is widely-recognized as the leadership spark to a series of major health improvements across the entire state. His current leadership responsibilities include designing its major new health initiatives and serving as spokesperson for the Foundation's growing role in health policy leadership at the local, state and national levels.

Under Greg's direction, today the Washington Health Foundation is leading a national trend of improving state health and wellness through the innovative Healthiest State in the Nation Campaign—engaging organizations, businesses, individuals and communities across Washington in working toward Healthy Living and Healthy Systems. In 2005, over 300 organizations and 17,000 people joined the Healthiest State in the Nation Campaign.

Greg is an expert in the workings of the health system and the world of public policy. He has served as the Senior Vice President for Policy and Advocacy at the Washington State Hospital Association, Executive Director of the Association of Washington Public Hospital Districts, and Nursing Administrator at an inner city hospital. Spanning almost 30 years, he has worked for a variety of hospitals, health systems, physician specialty societies, consumer groups, health insurers, associations and local governments.

Greg's current volunteer activities include serving as a board member for the Executive Alliance (and past chair of the Board), Philanthropy Northwest (and chair of its Public Policy Committee), and the Washington State Hospital Association. He also serves in an advisory capacity on the State of Washington Public Health Improvement Plan Steering Committee, the Trade Development Alliance of Greater Seattle Advisory Council and the University of Washington School of Public Health Advisory Council.

Greg earned a Juris Doctorate degree with honors from George Washington University National Law Center, a Master of Health Administration degree from the University of Washington (program nomination for Outstanding Student Scholar in 1984) and a Bachelor of Arts degree (with a distinction in political science) from the University of Connecticut. He was also selected

in a national competition as an Advanced Fellow in Health Care Policy and Management at the American Hospital Association/Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association in Chicago, Illinois.

Greg, his wife Jan and their three dogs split their home life between urban Ballard and rural Union, Washington.