

## HPIO Board of Director Candidate biography for consideration at the 2023 HPIO Annual Meeting

## Kate Schroder, President and CEO, Interact for Health

Kate Schroder joined Interact for Health as its fourth President and CEO in January 2022. In this role, she works with Interact for Health's staff and board to provide leadership, direction and vision to the organization and to develop strategies to address some of the most pressing health needs in Greater Cincinnati.

A native of Cincinnati, Kate has experience leading health initiatives locally and internationally. Prior to joining Interact for Health, she oversaw a regional collaborative effort to increase COVID-19 vaccination throughout 14 counties in Greater Cincinnati and to address disparities in vaccination rates while working at The Health Collaborative.

In 2020, Kate was a candidate for Congress in Ohio's 1st District, running on a platform to expand access to affordable health care and economic mobility. For 12 years before that, she held various leadership roles with the Clinton Health Access Initiative, a 1,400-person organization spanning 35 countries. As a Vice President leading child health programs, she helped to reduce drug prices by 40% and increased the number of children receiving correct treatment by 50 million in four focus countries: India, Kenya, Nigeria and Uganda. She led teams with 75 staff members and budgets of more than \$80 million.

Kate holds a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Indiana University and a Master of Business Administration from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Results from her work to reduce childhood mortality and to strengthen health systems in low-resources settings have been published in several academic journals, including the British Medical Journal and The Lancet.

In 2011, Kate was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma, an experience that she says helps to fuel her passion for improving health care—knowing firsthand what it feels like when one's survival is dependent on access to quality care.

Kate served on the Cincinnati Board of Health from 2016 to 2022. She currently serves on the boards for Cincinnati State Foundation and OneNKY Alliance and the advisory board for the NKU Institute for Health Innovation.