

Rebecca J. Davis, Executive Director, NCHN

Rebecca J. Davis, Ph.D., is the Executive Director of the National Cooperative of Health Networks Association (NCHN) and has served in this role since July 2006. NCHN is the only national professional membership organization dedicated to supporting and strengthening health networks across the country. NCHN has members in over 30 states. She also serves as the manager of Rural Health Network Resources, LLC, a for profit company, wholly owned by NCHN. Dr. Davis earned a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies from Virginia Tech. Since 2003, she has held a faculty appointment in Rural Health Policy at the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine – Virginia Campus.

Prior to this position, Dr. Davis served as the Executive Director of both the Virginia Rural Health Resource Center and the Virginia Rural Health Association. She was the founding Chair of the Council for Rural Virginia and was appointed to the Board of Trustees for the Center for Rural Virginia by the Speaker of the House. She was elected the first Secretary of the Center's Board of Trustees. She has served on numerous boards related to rural health issues over the past eighteen years, including the Governor's Work Group on Rural Obstetrics; Advisory Board of the Rural Health Research Center at the University of Virginia; Virginia Tele-Health Network; Virginia Healthcare Workforce Advisory Committee; Virginia State Health Planning Grant Advisory Committee; Jefferson College of Health Sciences - Physician Assistant Program Advisory Board; and networks with a national group of other rural health professional membership organizations Executive Directors.

Dr. Davis holds membership in the National Rural Health Association, the American Society of Association Executives, is a charter member and past President of the Bath/Highlands Lions/Lioness Club. Past President of the Breckinridge County Historical Society, chaired of the Breckinridge County Family and Friends History Book Committee and was awarded 2016 Historian of the Year. She is a graduate of the Leadership Breckinridge County Program, and served on the Board of Directors of the Breckinridge County Chamber of Commerce.

She has presented at both state and national meetings on board development, effective meeting management, stress management, network development and management, rural behavioral health, rural health, and rural development topics.