

Mary Ellen Dunham is the Hillside Village Health Center Administrator. She is a senior living professional with experience in all facets of operating a nursing home and assisted living community. “I am passionate about providing seniors the opportunity to age successfully while maintaining their dignity and independence with the safety, structure and services they need,” she said.

Mary Ellen was the Executive Director at Sentry Hill at York Harbor, an upscale retirement community located in York, Maine, for the last five years, where she was responsible for the day-to-day operations. Sentry Hill consists of 52 independent living units and an 80-bed assisted living facility.

She previously was Administrator for Oceanside Nursing Center and Partridge House Assisted Living in Hampton, NH, and before that was Executive Director and Administrator of The Mark Wentworth Home in Portsmouth for sixteen years. At Mark Wentworth, Dunham was part of an 18-month, \$14-million renovation project to create 48 assisted living suites and a 19-bed nursing facility.

Mary Ellen earned a Masters in Healthcare Administration from the University of New Hampshire. She also earned a diploma in Nursing from the St. Elizabeth’s Hospital School of Nursing in Brighton, MA, and a Bachelor’s degree in Healthcare Administration from St. Joseph’s College in Windham, ME.

She received new credentials in early 2018 from the NAB to be a Health Services Executive. *NAB* (National Association of Long term Care Administrator Boards) is the leading authority on licensing, credentialing and regulating administrators of organizations along the continuum of long-term care. Both NH and ME have licensed her as a Nursing Home Administrator. She is also a Registered Nurse in Maine and all other compact states, which includes New Hampshire.