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DR. STEPHEN KLASKO is a transformative leader and advocate for a revolution in our systems of health care and higher education. His 2018 book, *Bless This Mess: A Picture Story of Healthcare in America* is an account of how the USA was elected to the Intergalactic Council of Cool Health Systems by 2035.

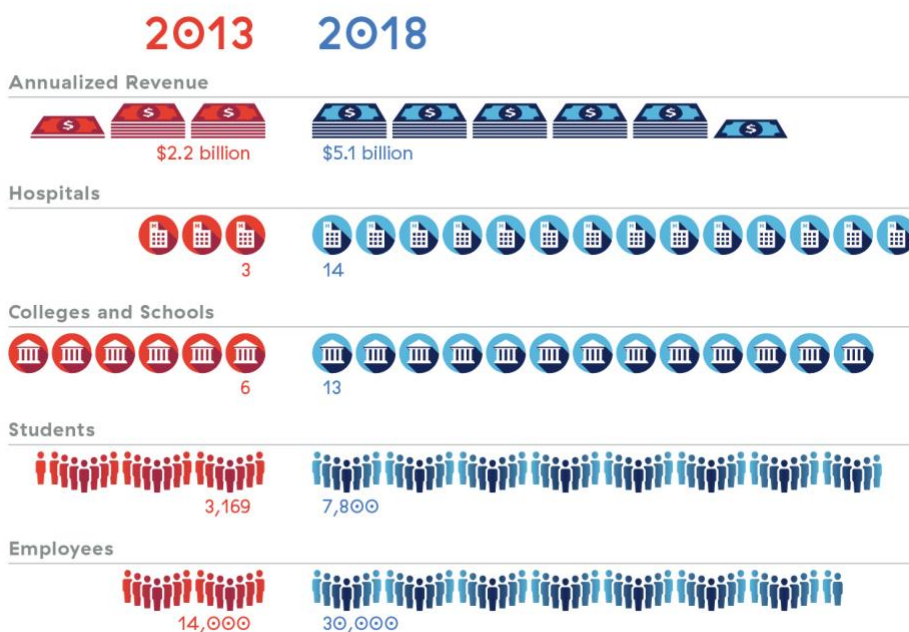
AS PRESIDENT AND CEO of Philadelphia-based Thomas Jefferson University and Jefferson Health, he has steered since 2013 one of the nation's fastest growing academic health institutions based on his vision of re-imagining health care and higher education. His 2017 merger of Thomas Jefferson University with Philadelphia University created a pre-eminent professional university that includes top-20 programs in fashion, design and health professions, coupled with the first design-thinking curriculum in a medical school and the nation's leading research on empathy.

HIS TRACK RECORD OF SUCCESS at creating and implementing programs that are shaping the future of health care earned him a place among *Fast Company's* 100 Most Creative People in Business in 2018; and Ernst & Young's Greater Philadelphia Entrepreneur of the Year in 2018. He is also ranked #2 on *Modern Healthcare's* list of Most Influential People in Healthcare. For 2018-19 *U.S. News & World Report* has ranked Thomas Jefferson University Hospital among the nation's best in 10 specialties, and Magee Rehabilitation Hospital - Jefferson Health 13th Best Hospital in the nation for physical rehabilitation. In 2018, Jefferson was invited to join the World Economic Forum.

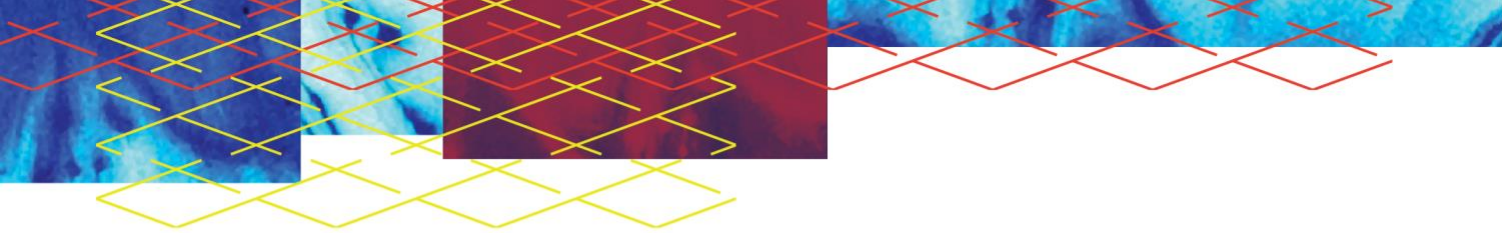


About Steve

- First job was as radio DJ Little Stevie Kent
- Licensed pilot
- Science fiction author of *Bless This Mess*
- Published key research on physician biases
- Completed first marathon in 1991



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Dr. Klasko is a nationally recognized advocate for healthcare transformation, having served as dean of two medical colleges, and leader of three academic health centers before becoming President and CEO at Jefferson. He is author of 1999's *The Phantom Stethoscope*, 2016's *We CAN Fix Healthcare in America*, and editor-in-chief of the journal *Healthcare Transformation*.

Under his leadership, Jefferson has expanded from three hospitals to 14, from a health sciences university to a professional university with two campuses. Revenues have grown from \$2.2 billion to more than \$5.1 billion annualized. The new Jefferson focuses on managing the health of populations in southeastern Pennsylvania and southern New Jersey. Jefferson has the largest faculty based tele-health network in the country, the NCI-designated Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center, and an outpatient footprint that is among the most technologically advanced in the region.

Through a unique four-pillar model - academic, clinical, innovation and philanthropy - Jefferson has attracted both venture capital and transformational gifts. Sidney and Caroline Kimmel donated \$110 million to Jefferson on June 18, 2014, the largest gift in the University's history. Philanthropy and innovation have also resulted in the addition of the Marcus Institute of Integrative Health, nationally recognized for its modern medical and integrated therapies, and the Jane and Leonard Korman Respiratory Institute, a unique partnership between Jefferson Health and National Jewish Health.

Previously, as CEO of USF Health and Dean of the Morsani College of Medicine at the University of South Florida, Dr. Klasko built the nation's largest "assessment of technical and teamwork competence" center known as CAMLS (Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation). He also led a partnership with the country's largest retirement community, The Villages, to create "America's healthiest hometown," an innovative primary-care-driven, patient-centric, Medicare-based accountable care model.

Dr. Klasko is ideally suited to lead such initiatives; after receiving his MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, he completed funded research on selecting and educating physicians to be leaders of change. His unique medical education program at USF, called SELECT (Scholarly Excellence, Leadership Experiences, and Collaborative Training), is recognized for its focus on choosing medical students based on emotional intelligence and leadership potential.

Dr. Klasko also serves on the board of Teleflex (TFX), a NYSE global medical device company with a market cap of \$12 billion. He has served on both the audit committee and governance committee and has been a director since 2008. He also is a trustee of Lehigh University, one of the nation's leading engineering and business schools.

He is married to Colleen Wyse, a fashion leader and founder of The Philadelphia Trunk Show, and has three children: Lynne, David and Jill.