



International Day of Peace 2021



Ms. Patricia Merryweather-Arges

Patricia Merryweather-Arges serves as Executive Director of Project Patient Care (PPC) where she is a co-leader of all PPC initiatives, including its work in federal healthcare transformation, advocating authentic patient and family engagement across all healthcare settings, and PPC organizational development activities. She serves as the Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator volunteering with Rotary International working with 16 Districts representing over 900 Rotary Clubs. Pat has served in many volunteer capacities with Rotary as a District Governor and Chair of the U.S. Peacebuilding Conference in 2018 and Zone Institute in 2016. She has worked on health care assessments and planning; solar energy; peace building; water, sanitation, and hygiene; women enterprise; and health and healthcare projects in Chicago, Jordan, India, China, Dominican Republic, Kenya, South Africa, Nigeria, Panama, Mexico, Haiti, and Slovakia and has participated in projects in Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, and Samoa. Patricia believes strongly in giving back to the community and providing pathways going forward for youth and adults in need. Pat currently serves on several boards and committees, including National Association for Health Data Organization Board; Collaboration Board and Executive Committee; St. Bernard Hospital Board and Chair of Quality and Safety Committee; Cook County Health Quality and Safety Committee of the Board; Illinois Public Health Institute Board; Naperville Rotary Charities Board; Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Board; Illinois DPH HAI/AR Advisory Committee; Jesse Brown VA Community Partnership Committee; Chicago American Red Cross Heroes Committee; and Chicago Build the Peace Committee. Patricia is married to George and they have a wonderful family with four sons; three daughters-in-law; and six grandchildren.

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