## Marc Sussman

## Administrator of Ambulatory Care, Cooper Green Mercy Hospital



Marc Sussman serves as Administrator of Ambulatory Care at Cooper Green Mercy Hospital (CGMH) in Birmingham, Alabama. CGMH is a 319 bed acute care county owned full service hospital providing care to all residents of Jefferson County, Alabama regardless of ability to pay. His role in this position is to provide overall planning, budgeting, operations, monitoring and guidance to 10 in-house and off-site ambulatory care clinics serving over 80,000 patients, annually. Services provided include general, family and internal medicine, cardiology, endocrinology, dermatology, nephrology, neurology, pulmonology, general

surgery, ENT, orthopedics, ophthalmology, urology, obstetrics and gynecology sickle cell, hematology, oncology and HIV/AIDS treatment.

Mr. Sussman began his tenure at CGMH as Administrator of the Balm of Gilead, a ten bed palliative care unit treating only those patients with terminal illness and a do not resuscitate order. The unit serves over 300 patients annually providing both general acute and respite care. Cancer is the second highest diagnosis, after heart disease, cited for admission to the Balm.

Mr. Sussman has served CGMH in the administration of federal, state, local and private Grants, Volunteer Services, Media and Public Relations, and Marketing.

Mr. Sussman's career experience includes strategic planning, certificate of need preparation, facility planning, and construction management, both as a direct employee and in a consultative role.

Mr. Sussman's interest in cancer prevention stems from the death of his mother from breast cancer in 1960 when he was five years old, and the death of his father in 1986 from leukemia. His sensitivity to eradicating cancer is further heightened by the death of both of his wife's parents due to lung and colon cancer.

Mr. Sussman has been active in the ACCCC since 2004 and served as Vice Chair and Chair from 2008-2012.