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Ms. Rudnick currently serves as Executive Director and Clinical Professor of the Polsky Center for Entrepreneurship at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. The Polsky Center assists students, faculty and alumni at the University of Chicago in developing and building new ventures.

Prior to this appointment she spent twenty-five years in business management and entrepreneurial activities, primarily in the healthcare industry. She co-founded and served as Chairman of Pacific Biometrics, a medical diagnostics company (1993-1999); was President of HCIA and CEO of its predecessor company, Healthcare Knowledge Resources, both healthcare information service companies (1990-1992); and held the positions Corporate Vice President of Baxter Healthcare, President and Founder of Baxter Management Services Division, and Director of Strategic Planning for Baxter (1975-1990).

She also has substantial governance experience through numerous corporate board positions. She currently serves on the boards of Liberty Mutual Insurance, Patterson Companies (PDCO), First Midwest Bank (FMBI) and HMS holdings (HMSY). She has previously served on the boards of Oxford Health Plans (and involved in its merger with United Health), NCCI (the National Council of Compensation Insurance) and NephRx. She also serves on the Northshore University Health System Research Institute Board and previously on the Northshore University Health System Board.

She serves on the Advisory Boards for DSC Logistics and Engaged Health Solutions (EHS). She is a member of World President's Organization (WPO/YPO), the Chicago Network and the Economic Club of the Chicago. She is a member and co-founder of the Health Alliance, a national network of healthcare executives.

Ms. Rudnick has an MBA from the University of Chicago and a BA from Vassar College. She has received numerous awards for her community and business activities.