Jeff Trageser Named Executive Director of Lifesharing, San Diego’s organ procurement organization (OPO)

Lifesharing is proud to announce Jeff Trageser as its new leader. Trageser will officially assume the role of executive director on October 16th, 2022, having guided Lifesharing for nearly a year as interim leader. Trageser has maintained Lifesharing’s status as a top-tier organ procurement organization (OPO), and both its organ and tissue teams are projected to see a record number of donors by the end of this year.

“I’m excited to build on the strong foundation of success and innovation here at Lifesharing,” said newly named Executive Director Jeff Trageser. “We have a talented group that has made an amazing difference in the lives of donor families and transplant recipients.”

Trageser joined Lifesharing in 2005. At the time, he was working as an ICU nurse in one of the busiest intensive care units in the city. Impressed by his ability to diffuse tension and handle emergencies, Lifesharing recruited Trageser to work as an organ procurement coordinator (OPC).

Trageser’s work ethic and clinical acumen eventually propelled him into the role of Lifesharing clinical services director, where he oversaw the entire medical team. During his tenure as clinical chief, Lifesharing’s organ team consistently set lifesaving records year after year. When longtime Lifesharing leader Lisa Stocks retired in 2021, Trageser rose to the challenge of becoming interim executive director. After a nationwide search for Stocks’ replacement, Trageser was offered the position permanently.

Trageser has a Master’s degree in nursing from San Diego State University. He’s also the proud Dad of a bio scientist son and a very adorable and precocious toddler girl. Trageser’s wife is also a nurse in the field of organ donation.

Lifesharing is the federally designated organ procurement organization (OPO) serving San Diego and Imperial Counties in Southern California.

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