

*Bio Dr. Anita Girard*

*Dr. Anita Girard is an experienced healthcare leader with a demonstrably, successful history of working in the hospital & health care industry. She is skilled in nursing management, evidence-based practice, patient advocacy, nursing education, mentoring new leaders and driving quality clinical outcomes. She has significant experience related to LEAN implementation and ANCC Magnet Designation in healthcare systems. Dr. Girard is actively engaged in local, state, national and international communities to promote the nursing profession and improve the quality of healthcare. Dr. Girard has a strong business development background with a Doctor of Nursing Practice focused on Executive Leadership from University of San Francisco. She is currently driving practice and professional development as the Chief Nursing Office and Vice President of Nursing at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and serving as the President for American Nurses Association of California.*