Michael A. Young brings more than 28 years of healthcare industry leadership to Grady Health System where he joined the health system as President/CEO on Sept. 2, 2008.

Young began his career at Lancaster General Hospital & Health System in Lancaster, Penn. During his tenure there, Young built a new Women's Hospital, Orthopaedic Hospital and cutting-edge ambulatory services program. Most recently, Young was President and CEO of Erie County Medical Center in Buffalo, N.Y. He was a key player in turning around ECMC's historical operating losses - to its first ever operating gain in 2006, a $32 million turnaround in two years. ECMC is recognized for its clinical expertise, its unusually high case mix index and unique services in burn, trauma, adolescent psychiatry, CPEP and many other services.

A native of Pennsylvania, Young received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Pittsburgh in 1978, a Master of Healthcare Administration from the University of Pittsburgh in 1979, and an Executive MBA from the Harvard Business School (Advanced Management Program) in 1998.

Young has been a fellow in the American College of Hospital Administrators since 1994 and has produced numerous CEOs under his tutelage throughout the United States.

Young has served on numerous boards of directors throughout his career providing leadership and philanthropic support.