

## SynCardia appoints Don as CEO & Peter as President and CCO

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## Together, Don Webber and Peter Spadaro bring over 60 years of medical device leadership and management experience to SynCardia



SynCardia Systems, LLC, LLC, manufacturer of the world's only clinically-proven and commercially approved total artificial heart, is pleased to announce that Don Webber has been promoted to Chief Executive Officer, and Peter Spadaro has been appointed as the President and Chief Commercial Officer (CCO).

Don Webber joined SynCardia in 2018 as Chief Operating Officer (COO), leading Manufacturing Operations and Engineering, Quality and Supply Chain Logistics for the SynCardia product line. Don's demonstrated leadership as COO led to his promotion in January 2019 to Chief Executive Officer (CEO). He brings extensive management experience from more than 25 years in public and private sector life science companies.

Prior to joining SynCardia, Don had been the COO at OptiScan since 2010. In addition, he's previously served as VP of Manufacturing Operations at C.R. Bard, VP of Operations at EKOS Corporation, and President and CEO of Mitralign. He holds a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering technology from the State University of New York and an MBA from Nova Southeastern University.

Peter Spadaro has joined SynCardia's leadership team as the President and Chief Commercial Officer. Peter will be responsible for oversight of the global Sales and Marketing Organizations and for driving the company's sales growth. He assumed the new role on April 2, 2019 reporting directly to the CEO, Don Webber.

Peter started his career at St. Jude Medical as a Sales Representative in New York City. During his almost 30-year career with St. Jude Medical he progressed through the organization's Sales and Marketing organizations taking on leadership roles that included Vice President of Global Marketing, Vice President of Cardiovascular Sales, and Division Vice President of Cardiac Rhythm Management to name a few. Peter comes to SynCardia from his recent leadership role at Medtronic as Senior Director of Sales, Cardiac Surgery. He holds a bachelor's degree from Fordham University.