

Ryan Podvin, Chief Financial Officer

A patient of Mary Free Bed after a traumatic spinal cord injury in 2010, Ryan knows first-hand the challenges and value of exceptional rehabilitation care. He began his career in design and planning, working with municipalities, universities and private clients helping them to execute their community, organizational and business visions. He learned important strategies to dissect complex problems, create innovative solutions and bring multiple stakeholders to consensus, skills he leverages today.

After graduating from Mary Free Bed and re-learning how to walk, Ryan returned to Grand Valley State University with a new passion for health care, earning an MBA with a finance emphasis. He joined Mary Free Bed in 2012 as a graduate intern in Human Resources and later with Finance. He soon leveraged an analyst role into a management position, building a decision support team to help execute and steward the system's rapid growth. He was promoted to vice president of Finance and chief information officer, spearheading Mary Free Bed's decision to move to Epic as our EMR.

In his role as CFO, Ryan is helping to prepare the growing Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation System for value-based care and to be a transformative partner in post-acute care. He believes with scale, a comprehensive post-acute partnership strategy and its unparalleled history and culture, Mary Free Bed can thrive as an independent specialty partner. Ryan serves on multiple boards and continues to help evaluate regional partnership opportunities, defining and executing the Mary Free Bed value proposition to partners. He credits Mary Free Bed for not only the excellent care that's enabled him to return to a productive life, but for taking good risks to be a capable partner in a dynamic statewide health care market.