

JOHN MENGENHAUSEN

John Mengenhausen recently retired from Horizon Health Care, where he served as chief executive officer for 38 years. He grew the system from two clinics and 14 staff members to nearly 300 employees and a 28,000-square mile coverage area during his tenure. Today Horizon has 32 medical and dental clinics in 22 different communities across South Dakota.

Last year, John was recognized by the Community Health Association of Mountain/Plains States (CHAMPS) for dedicating his career toward the mission of health, poverty, and human rights and health centers in the region. In addition, CHAMPS recognized him with a newly renamed award in his honor that recognizes a commitment to governance and leadership in CHAMPS. John also served as chairman of the National Association of Community Health Centers, which represents the 1,200 community health centers around the U.S.