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During my residency at UC Davis, I worked in several hospitals, and through that experience I learned how medicine is practiced at Kaiser Permanente. I chose the North Valley because the surgical residents are such an important part of the team here, and the TPMG surgeons are on the clinical faculty at Davis. Now I enjoy teaching and working with residents.

I've been a general surgeon with The Permanente Medical Group for 21 years. My work on committees such as nutrition, step-down unit, budget planning, quality assurance, risk management, and utilization review, has helped me understand the intricate workings of the hospital.

As Assistant Chief of Surgery, and President of the medical staff of Sacramento, I experienced how a physician-led medical group works within the hospital environment to make improvements for patients.

As Chief, I worked with my team to build outstanding divisions of pediatric, vascular, and thoracic surgery. We have been successful putting new systems in place to improve patient access to surgery, and expand the roles of physician assistants.

Fostering the development of a team means appreciating people's strengths and allowing everyone to contribute to the goals. It's been a perfect fit for me.

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From his first rotations as a resident until now, Dr. Gylling has served as the department's Assistant Chief, Chief, and President of the Medical Staff. In addition, he's been a part of various committees responsible for the medical center's nutrition, its step-down unit, budget planning, quality assurance, risk management, and utilization review.

Dr. Gylling is highly regarded for fostering relationships with other departments, such as pediatrics and nephrology, and for building interdepartmental collaboration.

Adding change management to his list of accomplishments, Dr. Gylling was an early adopter of laparoscopy, and championed its use. He developed the processes for training, credentialing, and proctoring surgeons on laparoscopic cholecystectomy. Today, under his inspiring leadership, the North Valley surgery department delivers outstanding service and access.

