



Susan Taylor

Executive Director, External Affairs

Susan Taylor represents Scripps Health to the community, patient groups and leaders throughout the region. Susan joined Scripps in 2011 after more than 15 years as an award-winning San Diego news anchor for NBC.

As executive director of external affairs, Susan plays a critical role in raising awareness and understanding of Scripps' programs, facilities and services. She also helps educate a broad range of audiences about the significant changes under way in health care locally and nationally. In addition, Susan serves as a member of the Scripps Medical Response Team.

A long-time patient at Scripps, Susan has a personal connection to Scripps, where her father successfully underwent open heart surgery in 2008. Susan is grateful to her father's medical team and welcomes the chance to give back to the organization that saved his life.

A 2011 recipient of the San Diego Women Who Mean Business Award, Susan is a spokesperson for the San Diego Police Foundation's internet campaign against cyberbullying.

She is also active in LEAD San Diego, serving on the board of directors.

A New England native, Susan began her career in Boston as a writer and associate producer. Prior to San Diego, she worked for television stations throughout the country. During her career, she covered the O.J. Simpson trial, the downfall of Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega, the Super Bowl riots in Miami, the Northridge earthquake and the San Diego wildfires of 2003 and 2007.

She also returned with troops from Iraq on the final voyage of the aircraft carrier USS Constellation before it was decommissioned. Susan has interviewed prime ministers and Nobel Peace Prize winners and has been repeatedly honored for her work, including receiving Emmys and other broadcasting accolades.

She earned a bachelor's degree in broadcasting and film from Boston University.

An advocate of prevention and wellness, Susan can often be found walking the beach with her family, including their robust Norwich terrier, Chewbacca.