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Laurie Baedke is a faculty member and Director of Healthcare Leadership Programs at Creighton University.

A well-regarded speaker and author with broad experience building companies, and leading organizational change, Laurie has specific expertise in healthcare management, emotional intelligence, and strengths based leadership. She is an active mentor and advisor to senior executives, physician leaders, early careerists, and entrepreneurs. And she hosts the weekly podcast, The Growth Edge Leadership Podcast.

Laurie holds a bachelor's degree in human services and business administration and a master's degree in healthcare administration. At age 26, she became the youngest individual to achieve board certification as a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), and is also a board certified Fellow of the American College of Medical Practice Executives. Laurie has been certified by The Gallup Organization as a Strengths Performance Coach since 2006.

Laurie is the recipient of numerous awards. Professionally, she has served on four national committees for ACHE, and is a current member of the ACHE of Nebraska and Western Iowa Chapter board of directors. She also serves a variety of civic and community organizations, including current appointments on the Omaha Bridges Out of Poverty Board of Directors Executive Committee and the Leadership Omaha Curriculum Committee.

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Her first book, titled *The Emerging Healthcare Leader: A Field Guide*, was published by ACHE's Health Administration Press in 2015. She contributed a chapter; *The Clinician Entrepreneur*, to a book published by Oxford Press in April, 2017 titled *The Handbook of Private Practice*. And, most recently, a second edition of her book, *The Emerging Healthcare Leader: A Field Guide*, was published ACHE's Health Administration Press in March, 2018.

Laurie lives just outside of Omaha, Nebraska with her husband and two children.