LifeNet, Inc., is an Arkansas not-for-profit corporation. LifeNet was originally formed in July of 1993 as a joint venture of CHRISTUS St. Michael Hospital and Wadley Regional Medical Center to provide locally controlled, high-quality air and ground ambulance services. Our corporate headquarters are at 6225 St. Michael Drive in Texarkana, Texas.

Although we must earn a sufficient margin to support our mission, LifeNet’s primary focus as a not-for-profit enterprise is the delivery of superior medical care with effective and efficient transportation. A 15 member Board of Directors composed of both health care and business leaders keeps LifeNet oriented in a solid clinical and financial direction and serves as a sounding board for community expectations.

Directors are selected without regard to race, color, creed, religion, gender, orientation, disability, age or nationality. Directors are to have knowledge and understanding of health care organizations and operations; and be persons of good reputation, civic-minded community leaders, and capable of carrying out the purpose and philosophy of the Corporation by service as a Director.

The following criteria is used by the nominating committee when selecting Directors:

- A majority of the directors shall have a primary residence within 50 miles of Texarkana but no more than five directors elected can reside in the same City.
- No employees or immediate family of an employee may be a director.
- Two (2) Directors shall be appointed by CHRISTUS Health ArkLaTex d/b/a CHRISTUS St. Michael Health System (CSM) from a list submitted by CHRISTUS Health ArkLaTex d/b/a CHRISTUS St. Michael Health System. No director shall be an elected official or key employee of a City or County within LifeNet’s service area.

A person may not serve more than two consecutive terms as a Director unless such person is one of the two appointments by CHRISTUS Health ArkLaTex dba CHRISTUS St. Michael Health System.

To ensure that the Board possesses the competencies necessary for effective board performance, Directors are elected based on a demonstrated record of possessing the specific qualifications and competencies necessary for effective governance.

- High level leadership or executive experience in a business or educational organization
- Knowledge of, or ties to, the communities and consumers served by LifeNet
- Financial background and expertise
- Experience and expertise in a related healthcare field
- Diversity of experience, backgrounds, gender, and ethnic origin