John O'Hara

VP, Strategic Initiatives with Janssen Supply Chain



John graduated from Clemson University in South Carolina with a Bachelors degree in Mechanical Engineering. He began his career with Johnson & Johnson, PPC Division at Milltown, NJ in 1991 as a Project Engineer. Since then, he has occupied various technical and leadership roles within the Operations, Integrations, and Technical Operations / Quality Assurance arena, in the highly regulated fields of Medical Devices and Pharma Manufacturing. He has held a number of roles with increasing responsibilities across multiple J&J affiliates such as J&J Medical/Wound Management in Texas; and Ethicon, Inc. in both Texas and Somerville, NJ. In 2007, he was appointed to the General Manager role at Noramco, Inc. in Athens, Georgia where he led the site in continuing growth initiatives and significant business accomplishments.

In 2012 John transferred to Gurabo, Puerto Rico, as General Manager for our manufacturing sites Janssen Ortho LLC and Janssen Cilag Manufacturing LLC, where he was responsible for the manufacturing and packaging operations for prescription, OTC and generic drug products (solids), serving all markets including US, EMEA and Japan.

In 2016 John moved to Zug Switzerland to lead Janssen Supply Chain's (JSC) Global Affiliate Services team with responsibilities for the global demand for the pharmaceuticals business. In 2018 John returned to the US to lead a number of Strategic Initiatives for JSC including the restructuring of the supply chain and most recently JSC's COVID-19 Task Force.

During his successful career with J&J, John has modeled strong operational and leadership skills with expertise in developing and leading global teams. He has vast experience in driving change while delivering exceptional business results, as well as solid knowledge and applicability of Process Excellence and Lean Manufacturing tools.