



East Tennessee Healthcare Executives Affiliate

2015 4th Quarter Newsletter

Message from the Chapter President

ETHEA Members,

The board and I would like to thank you for an excellent year in 2015! I would like to personally thank the board, and our membership for their dedication in making our organization the premier professional society in East Tennessee for healthcare executives dedicated to improving healthcare delivery.

I am pleased to announce that our chapter has succeeded in offering local educational opportunities for our members in the Tri-cities, Knoxville, and Chattanooga. Our board developed a strategic plan to enhance the quality of our programs, provide opportunities for early careerists, recognize area leaders, develop a culture of community health, educate the community on healthcare issues, and broaden diversity among our membership. Our members have executed this plan and our chapter exceeded expectations in membership growth and members advancing to Fellow.

I, along with our board would like to challenge each member to bring a colleague to one of our meetings this next year and provide feedback. We appreciate your support in 2015, and invite you to join in our efforts to make ETHEA the best chapter of ACHE.

Respectfully,

Michael C. Hatmaker
2015 ETHEA President

2015 Year-In-Review

ETHEA hosted several events in 2015. Please see below for a summary of events:

- Combined Education & Networking in Knoxville on January 14, 2015: Integrating the Principles of Patient-Centered Care for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Combined Education & Networking in the Tri-Cities on February 5, 2015: Integrating the Principles of Patient-Centered Care for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Combined Education & Networking in Chattanooga on February 12, 2015: Telemedicine in the Healthcare Delivery System for 1.5 hours of Qualified credit
- Combined Education & Networking in Knoxville on March 25, 2015: Financial Implications: The Push from Inpatient to Outpatient Care for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Networking in Knoxville on April 16, 2015
- Combined Education & Networking in Knoxville on May 13, 2015: Service Line Development
- Combined Education & Networking in the Tri-Cities on June 4, 2015: Physician-Hospital Integration in the 21st Century for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Networking in Knoxville on June 25, 2015
- Combined Education & Networking in Knoxville on July 8, 2015: Implementing Strategic Plans for Successful Operations for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit

- Combined Education & Networking in Chattanooga on July 15, 2015: Physician-Hospital Integration in the 21st Century for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Networking in Chattanooga on August 19, 2015
- Combined Education & Networking in Knoxville on September 9, 2015: Physician-Hospital Integration in the 21st Century for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Combined Education & Networking in the Tri-Cities on October 8, 2015: The Future of Healthcare Financing for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit
- Combined Education & Networking in Knoxville on November 11, 2015: Telemedicine in the Healthcare Delivery System for 1.5 hours of Face-to-face credit

Participants in programs authorized to award ACHE Qualified credit must record their attendance using the instructions attached [here](#).

Upcoming Chapter Event

Please join us at our next ETHEA meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, January 13th at 6:00 pm** at **Calhoun's on the River** in Knoxville. ETHEA will host an education session (approved for 1.5 hours of Face-to-Face credit), the topic for which is **Care Coordination: Acute Hospital Becoming a Preferred Provider in the Narrow Network**. In this program, participants will learn how health systems are coordinating care with post-acute providers and private duty caretakers through innovation and utilizing new technologies.

Calhoun's on the River is located at 400 Neyland Drive in Knoxville. Free parking is available. We will meet in the banquet space upstairs. ETHEA will provide heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages. A cash bar is also available.

Panel Participants:

- Moderator: Mr. Chad Clabough, Jr., Vice President of System Development & Corporate Affairs at Covenant Health System
- Panelist: Ms. Dawn Fitzgerald, CEO of Qsource
- Panelist: Mr. Doug Ford, Administrator at NHC Healthcare, Fort Sanders

NEW IN 2016! ETHEA is providing meeting attendees the opportunity to register for ETHEA events in advance and pay the \$10 meeting fee by credit card. Please click the link below to register. Registration will ensure your member or visitor name badge is provided at the door. Payment is NOT necessary at the time of registration. Meeting attendees may pay at the meeting with cash or check. Registration is not necessary to attend ETHEA meetings.

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ACHE Advancement

The importance of earning the distinction of board certification as a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives cannot be overstated. Take the next step in advancing your career by achieving Fellow status! It benefits your professional goals and the healthcare management profession as it demonstrates a healthcare leader's competence, leadership skills and commitment to excellence in the field. The minimum requirements to submit a Fellow application include: ACHE membership; a master's or other advanced degree; a healthcare management position with a minimum of two years healthcare management experience; three references from current Fellows (one of which must be a structured interview); and a copy of the Member's current job description, organizational chart and resume. Upon submitting the application, applicants have three years to complete the remaining requirements for advancement to Fellow.

Fellow applicants who successfully meet all requirements by Dec. 31, 2015, including passing the Board of Governors Examination, will be eligible to participate in the 2016 Convocation Ceremony at the 2016 Congress on Healthcare Leadership.

Visit ache.org/FACHE to review all requirements and to apply.

Congratulations to the following Fellows who have advanced or re-certified in 2015:

- Tanner Goodrich
- Troy Hammett
- Tom Tull
- Daniel Snyder

Congratulations to the following individuals who have passed the Board of Governors examination in 2015 and are one step closer to becoming Fellows:

- Nate Naugle
- Adam Royer
- Cynthia Rhodes
- George Benton
- David Seaberg
- Charles Dotson
- Britt Tabor

ACHE News

Save the Date for the 2016 Congress on Healthcare Leadership

ACHE's Congress on Healthcare Leadership brings you the best in professional development, exceptional opportunities to network with and learn from peers, and the latest information to enhance your career and address your organization's challenges in innovative ways. **The 2016 Congress on Healthcare Leadership, "Leading Well," will be held March**

14–17 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago.

More than 4,000 healthcare leaders attended the 2015 Congress on Healthcare Leadership. Join us in 2016 and be part of the dynamic, energizing event that draws the top healthcare leaders from across the nation and around the world.

This premier healthcare leadership event provides:

- Education on current and emerging issues
- More than 140 sessions of practical learning from healthcare's top leaders
- Opportunities to connect with your peers
- Career-enhancement workshops

The opening date for Congress 2016 registration and to reserve hotel accommodations is Nov. 11, 2015.

Apply for a Tuition Waiver

To reduce the ACHE educational programming barriers for ACHE members experiencing economic hardship, ACHE has established the Tuition Waiver Assistance Program.

ACHE makes a limited number of tuition waivers available to Members and Fellows whose organizations lack the resources to fund their tuition for education programs. Members and Fellows in career transition also are encouraged to apply. Tuition waivers are based on financial need and are available for the following ACHE education programs:

- Congress on Healthcare Leadership
- Cluster Seminars
- Self-Study Programs
- Online Education Programs
- ACHE Board of Governors Exam Review Course

All requests are due no less than eight weeks before the program date, with the exception of ACHE self-study courses — see quarterly application deadlines on the FAQ page of the tuition waiver application. Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline will not be considered. Recipients will be notified of the waiver review panel's decision not less than six weeks before the program date. For ACHE self-study courses, applicants will be notified three weeks after the quarterly application deadline.

If you have questions about the program, please contact Teri Somrak, associate director, Division of Professional Development, at (312) 424-9354 or tsomrak@ache.org. For more information, visit ache.org/TuitionWaiver.

Call for Innovations

ACHE would like to invite authors to submit abstracts of their posters for consideration for the 32nd Annual Management Innovations Poster Session to be held at ACHE's Annual Congress on Healthcare Leadership. We are interested in innovations around challenges your organization has faced, such as in the areas of improving quality or efficiency, improving patient or physician satisfaction, implementation of electronic medical records and optimizing the use of new technology. All accepted applicants will be expected to be available to discuss their posters on March 14 between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m.; posters will remain on display from March 14–16, 2016, at Congress.

Please go to ache.org/CongressPosterSession for the full selection criteria. Abstracts should be submitted as an email attachment to PosterSessions@ache.org by **Jan. 19, 2016**.

Access Complimentary Resources for the Board of Governors Exam

For Members starting on the journey to attain board certification and the FACHE® credential, ACHE offers complimentary resources to help them succeed so they can be formally recognized for their competency, professionalism, ethical decision making and commitment to lifelong learning. These resources, which include the [Exam Online Community](#), [the](#)

[Board of Governors Examination in Healthcare Management Reference Manual](#) and [quarterly Advancement Information webinars](#), are designed to be supplements to other available Board of Governors Exam study resources, such as [the Board of Governors Review Course](#) and [Online Tutorial](#).

- The Exam Online Community is an interactive platform to learn and glean study tips from other Members taking the Exam. Participants can discuss Exam topics with experts and have the option to participate in study groups. Interested Members may join the Exam Online Community at bogcommunity.ache.org.
- The *Reference Manual*, found at ache.org/FACHE, includes a practice 230-question exam and answer key, a list of recommended readings, test-taker comments and study tips.
- Fellow Advancement Information webinars provide a general overview of the Fellow advancement process, including information about the Board of Governors Exam, and allow participants to ask questions about the advancement process. An upcoming session is scheduled for Dec. 10. Register online at ache.org/FACHE.

ACHE Announces Nominating Committee 2016 Slate

The ACHE Nominating Committee has agreed on a slate to be presented to the Council of Regents on March 12, 2016, at the Council of Regents meeting in Chicago. All nominees have been notified and have agreed to serve if elected. All terms begin at the close of the Council meeting on March 12. The 2016 slate is as follows.

Nominating Committee Member, District 1 (two-year term ending in 2018)

Stephen M. Merz, FACHE
Vice President and Executive Director, Behavioral Health
Yale-New Haven Hospital
New Haven, Conn.

Nominating Committee Member, District 4 (two-year term ending in 2018)

Ed Hamilton, FACHE
System Director, Strategy Development
INTEGRIS Health
Oklahoma City

Nominating Committee Member, District 5 (two-year term ending in 2018)

Kim A. King, FACHE
Founder and President
Strategy Advantage
Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2019)

John Botsko Jr., FACHE
Owner and President
BrightStar Care
Bonita Springs, Fla.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2019)

Michael J. Fosina, FACHE
President
New York-Presbyterian/Lawrence Hospital
Bronxville, N.Y.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2019)

Carrie Owen Plietz, FACHE
CEO

Sutter Medical Center, Sacramento
Sacramento, Calif.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2019)

David L. Schreiner, FACHE
CEO
Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital
Dixon, Ill.

Chairman-Elect

Charles D. Stokes, FACHE
COO
Memorial Hermann Health System
Houston

Additional nominations for members of the Nominating Committee may be made from the floor at the annual Council of Regents meeting. Additional nominations for the offices of Chairman-Elect and Governor may be made in the following manner: Any Fellow may be nominated by written petition of at least 15 members of the Council of Regents. Petitions must be received in the ACHE headquarters office (American College of Healthcare Executives, 1 N. Franklin St., Ste. 1700, Chicago, IL 60606-3529) at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting of the Council of Regents. Regents shall be notified in writing of nominations at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting of the Council of Regents.

Thanks to the members of the Nominating Committee for their contributions in this important assignment:

Diana L. Smalley, FACHE
Cheray T. Burnett, FACHE
Christine M. Candio, RN, FACHE
Brian C. Doheny, FACHE
John M. Hauptert, FACHE
Ted W. Hirsch, FACHE
Fred B. Hood, FACHE
CAPT Anne M. Swap, FACHE

ACHE Call for Nominations for the 2017 Slate

ACHE's 2016–2017 Nominating Committee is calling for applications for service beginning in 2017. All members are encouraged to participate in the nominating process. ACHE Fellows are eligible for any of the Governor and Chairman-Elect vacancies and are eligible for the Nominating Committee vacancies within their district. Open positions on the slate include:

- Nominating Committee Member, District 2 (two-year term ending in 2019)
- Nominating Committee Member, District 3 (two-year term ending in 2019)
- Nominating Committee Member, District 6 (two-year term ending in 2019)
- 4 Governors (three-year terms ending in 2020)
- Chairman-Elect

Please refer to the following district designations for the open positions:

- **District 2:** District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia
- **District 3:** Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin
- **District 6:** Air Force, Army, Navy, Veterans Affairs

Candidates for Chairman-Elect and Governor should submit an application to serve that includes a copy of their resume

and up to 10 letters of support. Per the approval of the Governors Review Task Force Final Report by the Governors in November, the application to serve will be updated online by Jan. 1 2016. For details, please review the Candidate Guidelines, including guidance from the Board of Governors to the Nominating Committee regarding the personal competencies of Chairman-Elect and Governor candidates and the composition of the Board of Governors.

Candidates for the Nominating Committee should only submit a letter of self-nomination and a copy of their resume.

Applications to serve and self-nominations must be submitted electronically to jnolan@ache.org and must be received by July 15, 2016. All correspondence should be addressed to Christine M. Candio, RN, FACHE, chairman, Nominating Committee, c/o Julie Nolan, American College of Healthcare Executives, 1 N. Franklin St., Ste. 1700, Chicago, IL 60606-3529.

The first meeting of ACHE's 2016–2017 Nominating Committee will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, during the Congress on Healthcare Leadership in Chicago. The committee will be in open session at 2:45 p.m. During the meeting an orientation session will be conducted for potential candidates, giving them the opportunity to ask questions regarding the nominating process. Immediately following the orientation, an open forum will be provided for ACHE members to present and discuss their views of ACHE leadership needs.

Following the July 15 submission deadline, the committee will meet to determine which candidates for Chairman-Elect and Governor will be interviewed. All candidates will be notified in writing of the committee's decision by Sept. 30, 2016, and candidates for Chairman-Elect and Governor will be interviewed in person on Oct. 27, 2016.

To review the Candidate Guidelines, visit:

<http://www.ache.org/newclub/ElectedLeadersArea/REGSERV/candguid.cfm>.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Nolan at (312) 424-9367 or jnolan@ache.org.

**Questions or concerns? ETHEA would love to hear from you. Please visit our website at: <http://ethea.ache.org/>.
There you will find contact information for the ETHEA board.**

As always, we appreciate your membership and participation.

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