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Hospital champions elected in 2022 midterm elections

With dozens of open races in the 2022 midterm elections, IHA is pleased several hospital champions were elected to the state legislature. The IHA advocacy team spent several months interviewing candidates about their stances on issues affecting Iowa hospitals and health systems.

“We look forward to working with new members of the state legislature in 2023 and beyond on the issues important to Iowa hospitals and the patients and communities they serve,” said IHA President and CEO Chris Mitchell. “We also are pleased for the opportunity to continue working with Gov. Kim Reynolds on issues like tort reform and finding solutions to ease workforce shortages in our hospitals.”

Before the 2023 legislative session starts, remember to sign up for IHA action alerts and the Legislative Bulletin:

- [Action Alerts](#).
- [Legislative Bulletin](#)

IHA education council highlights workforce initiatives

The IHA Council on Education and Member Services met Wednesday, Nov. 9 with Laurie Conner, President, MercyOne Newton Medical Center presiding as chair. Workforce was the major topic of conversation during the meeting in line with this year’s IHA membership survey results and IHA Board Retreat discussions indicating workforce should remain a priority for IHA in 2023.

Guest speaker Stephanie Sveen, RN, M.S.N., M.B.A.-HC, Mayo Clinic Nursing Placement Coordinator, discussed the organization’s nursing student internship program and its nurse tech program. The programs offer students the opportunity for on-the-job training while providing Mayo Clinic a workforce pipeline.

IHA's Vice President of Nursing and Clinical Services, Jan Nitt, speaks about IHA's

IHA'S VICE PRESIDENT OF NURSING AND CLINICAL SERVICES JEN NUTT SPOKE ABOUT IHA'S workforce initiatives to date and shared information from recent meetings with other state associations. With a wide range of possible initiatives, Nutt reported the intention to build a workforce strategic plan to focus IHA's efforts in 2023.

Council members approved additions and revisions to the IHA Hospital Board Certification program. Small group discussions provided input on proposed education topics for 2023. The Council's next meeting is April 4, 2023.



New faculty added to Physician Business Leadership Certificate Program

Registration is open for the [2023 Physician Business Leadership Certificate Program](#). New to the program this year are sessions led by:

- **Gerard Clancy, M.D.**, professor of psychiatry and emergency medicine and senior associate dean of the University of Iowa, discussing workforce issues.
- **Robert Kruse, M.D., M.P.H.**, state medical director of Iowa, discussing public health issues.
- **Michael Harris, M.D.**, of Huron Group discussing decision making and tools for the business of health care.
- **Dan McLaughlin, M.H.A.**, with the Interstate Postgraduate Medical Association, discussing strategic planning.
- **Lori Foley and Jan Jerzak of PYA**, Kansas City, Kansas, discussing health care finance.

Members from IHA associate member Dorsey and Whitney are also faculty this year presenting on current legal issues facing physician leaders.

The program is designed to prepare physicians to lead in a complex health care environment through advancing leadership competencies and business acumen. The class size is limited to 25 participants and interested physician leaders interested are encouraged to apply now.

The five-session program was created through a partnership of the Iowa Hospital Association, Iowa Academy of Family Physicians, Iowa Healthcare Collaborative and the Iowa Medical Society.

[Email Corey Martin](#) at IHA with questions.

Thank you to the 2022 Iowa Hospital Heroes

IHA and Iowa hospitals are grateful to our hospital staff who ensure hospitals provide quality care every day. Twelve hospital heroes were recognized at IHA's 2022 Annual Meeting, and each is being highlighted in IHA Today. This issue features Larry Volz, M.D. from [MercyOne Siouxland Medical Center](#). Thank you to all the 2022 heroes.

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 ... from [MercyOne Siouxland Medical Center](#). Thank you to all the 2022 heroes
 and hospital staff for your work and compassion.

If you have someone you want to [nominate as a hospital hero](#), take note for next year's recognition at the 2023 IHA Annual Meeting scheduled from Oct. 10-11. [Email Craig Borchard](#) at IHA with questions.

Dr. Larry Volz

For more than 15 years, Dr. Volz has served Siouxland with remarkable treatment characterized by his incredible compassion. He is known for his sincere and empathetic approach, which values genuine interest in something as simple as how someone is doing or how someone may be handling difficult, end-of-life care. By listening and asking thoughtful questions, Dr. Volz brings calm to stressful moments. He developed his leadership skills through multiple positions in the U.S. Air Force, and he brings those skills to his work. He creates a culture of support hospitalwide for staff, peers and administration, as well as for patients and their families.



General & Trauma
Surgeon, MercyOne &
Midlands Clinic, Sioux City

Shelf-life extended for Moderna COVID-19 vaccine

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration extended the expiration date for some lots of the [Moderna COVID-19 vaccine](#). Health care providers must update vaccine expiration dates in the Iowa Department of Public Health Immunization Registry Information System.

Call the IRIS help desk at 800-374-3958 with questions about adjusting expiration dates.

NewsStand

Iowa news

- [MercyOne to use technology to transform into a PHSO](#)
- [University of Iowa hospital eyes \\$16 million in upgrades, conversions](#)
- [CVS, Walgreens reaches \\$10.7B opioid settlement with Iowa and other states](#)

National news

- [As COVID-19 cases tick up, here are latest CDC guidelines for testing and isolation](#)
 - [A combination vaccine for flu and COVID-19 is in the works](#)
 - [Ransomware attacks on hospitals can take toll on patients](#)
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Online education

- [Health Care: Embracing Environmental, Social and Governance Issues](#): Wednesday, Nov. 9
- [2022 IHA Governance Webinar Series](#): Tuesday, Nov. 15
- [Getting Ready for Joint Commission and CMS Health Equity Requirements](#): Tuesday, Nov. 15
- [Patient Rights: An Overview](#): Tuesday, Nov. 29
- [COVID-19 Public Health Emergency](#): Thursday, Dec. 1
- [Pharmacy Conditions of Participation](#): Tuesday, Dec. 6
- [CMS Updates](#): Thursday, Dec. 15

In-person meetings

- [IHA Leadership Development Program](#): Wednesday, Nov. 16 - Tuesday, May 16
- [2022 CPHQ Review Course](#): Tuesday, Nov. 29 - Wednesday, Nov. 30
- [Physician Business Leadership Certificate Program](#): Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023 - Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023
- [Grant Writing Workshop](#): Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023

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- Previously recorded [webinars and presentations](#) including project presentations from the Advanced Leadership Academy.
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Hospital jobs site connects hospitals with qualified candidates

Are you looking for qualified health care professionals for your Iowa hospital? [HospitalCareers.com](#) can help. This website connects thousands of nurses, providers and other hospital jobseekers with Iowa hospitals each year and is a main resource for jobseekers looking for work in health care.





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