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IHERF expands scholarship opportunities to high school students

Applications still are being accepted for the 2023 Iowa Hospital Education and Research Foundation's Health Care Careers Scholarship. IHERF is awarding 60 postsecondary health care scholarships of up to \$7,000 (\$3,500 per year for up to two years) and \$1,000 to students enrolling in emergency medical technology/technician certification programs.

New to the 2023 program are scholarships for high school students. The foundation is awarding 15 \$2,000 scholarships to high school students whose academic performance indicates college success and are interested in entering a health care area of study.

The IHERF scholarship program focuses on students pursuing high-demand health care positions. In exchange, postsecondary scholarship recipients must work one year in an Iowa hospital for each year of their scholarship award. The \$1,000 award recipients must work one year with a hospital-based or hospital-contracted emergency medical service. High school scholarship recipients are not required to work for an Iowa hospital after graduation.

Postsecondary applicants must be enrolled in an accredited program and be within three years of completing their professional education. **Applications must be submitted by Tuesday, Feb. 28 2023.**

IHA does not discriminate against applicants because of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, creed, gender identity, sexual orientation, mental or physical disability, military status or other characteristics protected by law. Members of underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit www.IHERF.org.

CMS delays enforcement of good faith estimate

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services [released new guidance](#) extending an enforcement delay for health care providers' requirement to provide a good faith estimate for uninsured and self-pay patients. New technical infrastructure and business practices allowing providers and facilities to share cost information is vital to successful implementation of the No Surprises Act regulatory requirement. [CMS acknowledged](#) the enforcement is delayed until it can efficiently automate the process and provide time for implementation. Earlier guidance had enforcement discretion expiring Jan. 1, 2023.

Webinar highlights importance of Medicare costs reports

Cost reports can be tedious, but public accountant Mike Nichols says they are a useful source of data. Nichols is discussing how the Medicare cost report can be used as a data source for calculating statistical, operating and financial metrics in the [50 Ways to Love Your Cost Reports](#) webinar. Nichols also will review:

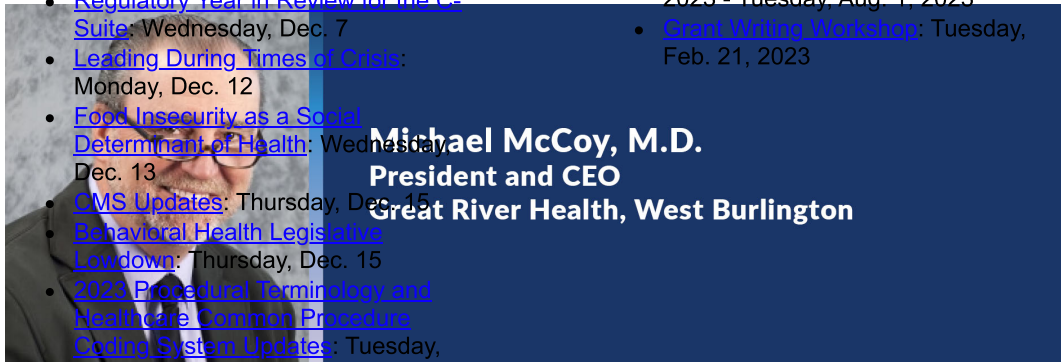
- [Iowa HHS awarded more than \\$28 million](#)
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- [Pixel trackers installed on hospital websites may violate HIPAA](#)
- [2022 health care job growth strong compared to 2021](#)
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The webinar is scheduled from 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023. The webinar is part of IHA's Fundamentals of Finance. Future topics include revenue cycle and managed care contracts. Look to future editions of IHA Today for more information about sessions. Participants must register separately for each session. [Email Joah Hogan](#)

Online education

In-person meetings

- [Pharmacy Conditions of Participation:](#) Tuesday, Dec. 6
- [Regulatory Year in Review for the C-Suite:](#) Wednesday, Dec. 7
- [Leading During Times of Crisis:](#) Monday, Dec. 12
- [Food Insecurity as a Social Determinant of Health:](#) Wednesday, Dec. 13
- [CMS Updates:](#) Thursday, Dec. 15
- [Behavioral Health Legislative Lowdown:](#) Thursday, Dec. 15
- [2023 Procedural Terminology and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Updates:](#) Tuesday, Dec. 20
- [Physician Business Leadership Certificate Program:](#) Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023 - Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023
- [Grant Writing Workshop:](#) Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023



Great River Health announces president and CEO

Michael McCoy, M.D., is the new president and CEO of [Great River Health](#). The Great River Health System Board of Directors unanimously approved the selection of Dr. McCoy in November. Dr. McCoy had been acting president and CEO before his full-time appointment.

Dr. McCoy joined Great River Medical Center in 1990 and was appointed chief medical officer in 2015. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Wyoming and his medical degree from Creighton University. Dr. McCoy completed his residency at the University of Iowa.

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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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