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Thursday, March 24, 2022

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### **Nursing leadership conference addresses provider well-being**

The changing health care environment can leave nurse leaders overwhelmed and stressed. Participants in the 2022 Iowa Organization for Nursing Leadership will gain insights to challenges facing themselves and their staff and learn ways to increase their well-being.

Erin Shipley, RN, a coach with the Studer Group, will discuss creating a sustainable culture in which employees are engaged and successful. Shipley will discuss the importance of intentional recognition and its impact on work culture and staff retention and how integrating behavioral standards can affect hospital culture.

Other sessions include:

- Advocacy update and 2022 legislative issues.
- Alternative care models.
- Importance of self-care.
- Managing stress.

The conference is scheduled from 8:15 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, at The Meadows Event and Conference Center in Altoona.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

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## **Biden, AHA issue cybersecurity advisories**

President Joe Biden [urged](#) an immediate hardening of private-sector cyber defenses based on evolving intelligence that the Russian government is exploring options for potential cyberattacks.

The White House [issued a fact sheet](#) with steps organizations can take to protect against potential cyberattacks. Foremost among the steps are the implementation and mandated use of multifactor authentication.

The American Hospital Association further outlines steps specific to hospitals and health systems. Actions include:

- Checking the redundancy, resiliency and security of organization networks and data backups.
- Geo-fencing all inbound and outbound traffic originating from and related to Russia, Ukraine and its surrounding regions.
- Identifying all internal and third-party mission-critical clinical and operational services and technology.

Click [HERE](#) for the full list of actions hospitals and health systems should take.

Email [John Riggi](#) at AHA with questions.

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## **FDA authorizes new at-home COVID-19 test**

Last week, the Food and Drug Administration [authorized for emergency use](#) a new

over-the-counter COVID-19 test. The Indicaid COVID-19 Rapid Antigen At-Home Test provides results in about 20 minutes. The test is similar to other at-home tests that collect samples with nasal swabs.

Click [HERE](#) for a fact sheet for health care providers.

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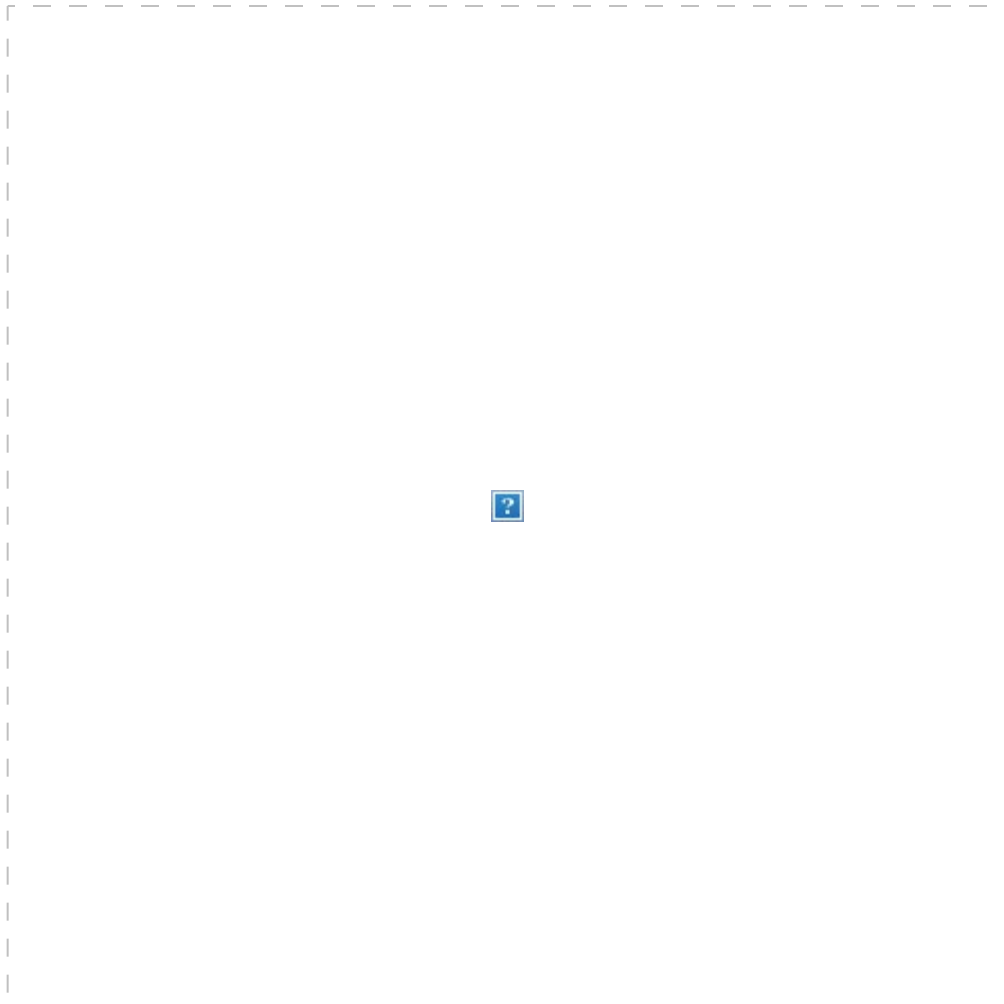
### **Shelf life extended for COVID-19 antibody treatment Sotrovimab**

Drug manufacturer GSK reported Sotrovimab doses with an expiration date of February 2022 received a shelf-life extension until August 2022. All other doses of the drug have an 18-month shelf life.

Health care providers should check with the manufacturer before disposing of the product. After verifying the expiration date, expired doses should be disposed of according to the facility's standard operating procedures.

GSK created a call center to help health care providers determine shelf life and expiration dates. Call GSK at 866-GSK-COVID.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



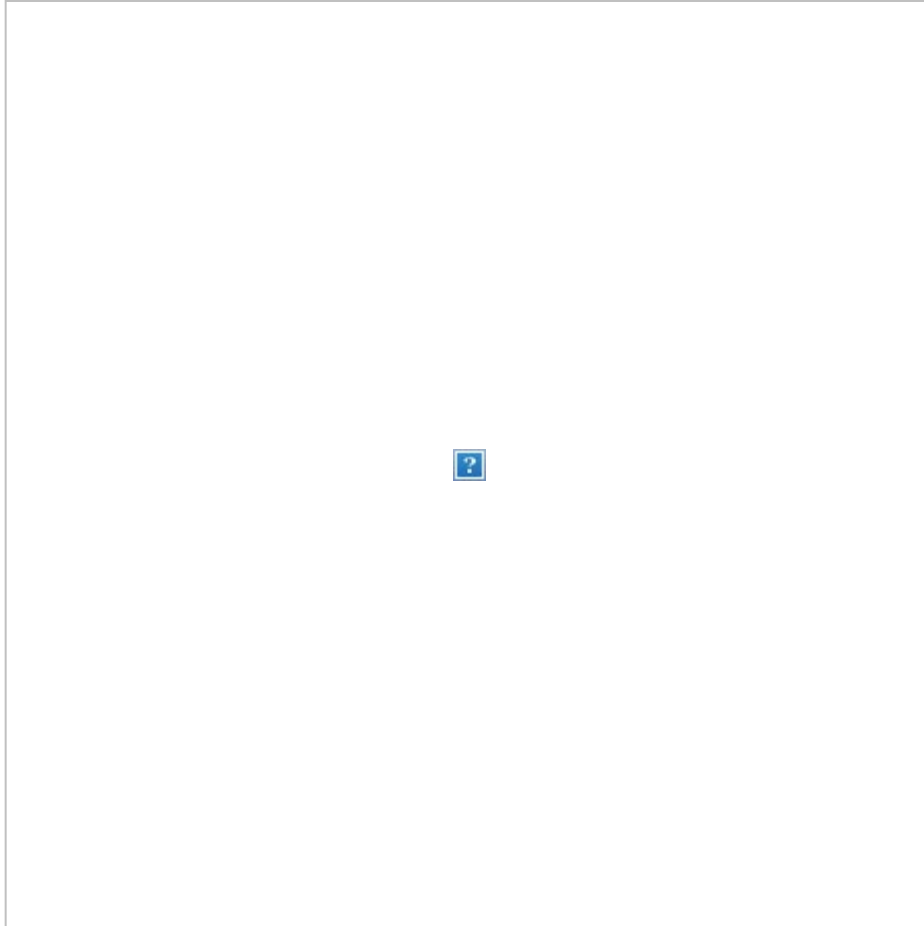
### **Medical Solutions helps increase hiring efficiency**

The demand for skilled clinicians and quality nurses is still high, making hiring and

retaining staff a challenge.

ServiShare partner Medical Solutions, a managed services provider, cannot directly solve the supply and demand issue, but it can dramatically increase hiring efficiency, allowing hospitals to do more with less. Watch the video below to learn more.

When working with Medical Solutions, a dedicated staffing partner can help ease the burden of hiring tasks. To learn more about Medical Solutions, contact [Luke Christensen](#) at 402-509-1329.



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### Iowa news

- [MercyOne launches patient-provider matching tool in central Iowa](#)
- [Takeaways from 'The Mental Health Toll on Children'](#)
- [Vilifying vaccine mandates has consequences, and all Iowans might bear them](#)

### National news

- [As 4th doses possibility looms, White House says it has no money for them](#)
- [Moderna says COVID-19 vaccine for young kids generates strong immune response](#)
- [OSHA schedules hearing on permanent COVID-19 standard for health care workers](#)

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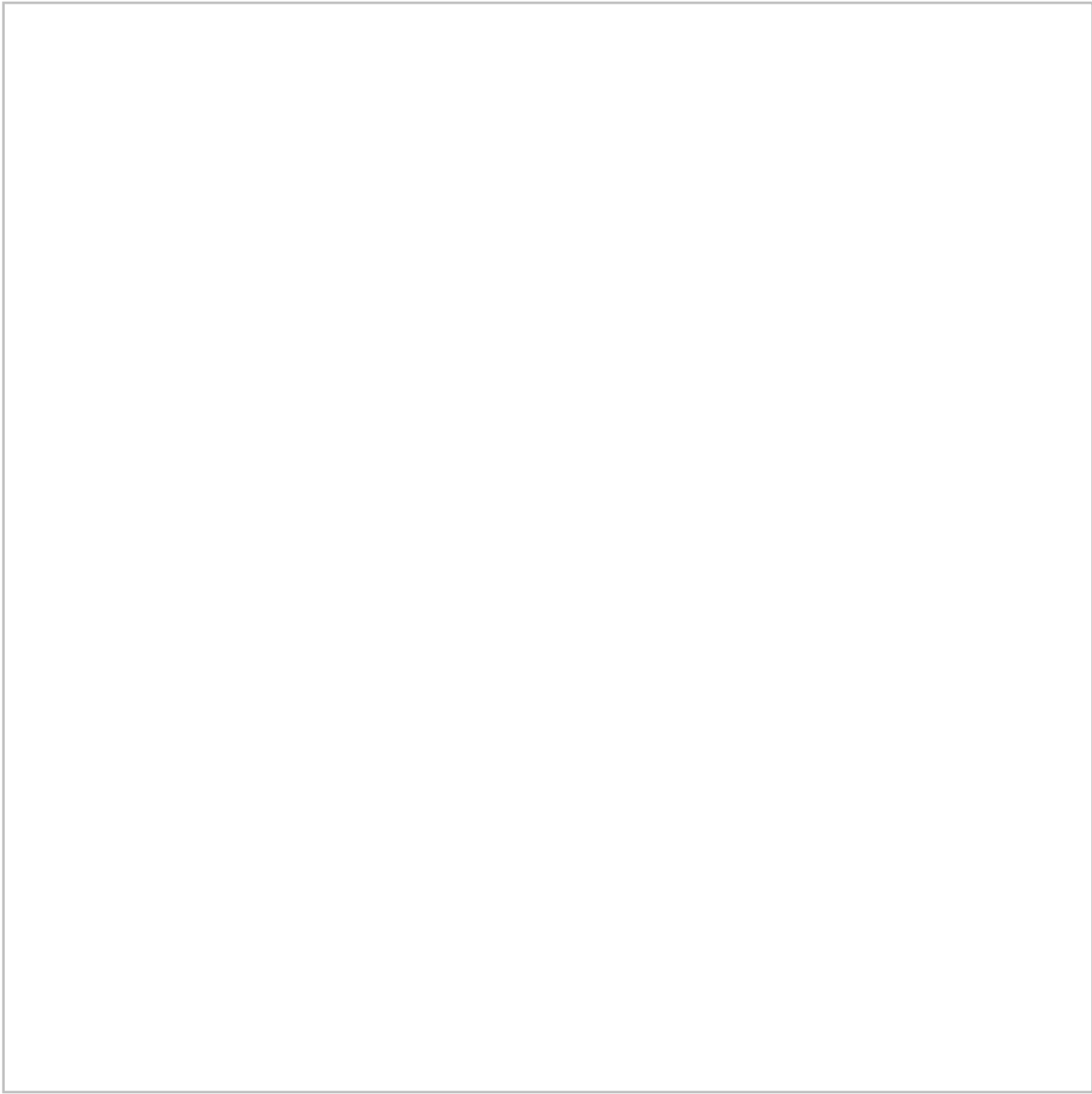
## Upcoming events

- [Understanding Hospital Board and Medical Staff Responsibilities Under Medicare COPs](#): Tuesday, April 12
- [Iowa Association for Healthcare Quality Spring Conference](#): Wednesday, April 13
- [Iowa Society for Healthcare Human Resources Administration Spring Conference](#): Thursday, April 14
- [Delegate More to Achieve More](#): Tuesday, April 19
- [IHA Governance Forum](#): Friday, April 22 - Saturday, April 23
- [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Health Care](#): Monday, May 2 - Monday, Sept. 12
- [Creating Successes: IHA's Summer Series for Health Care Leaders](#): Tuesday, May 3 - Tuesday, Aug. 16
- [Iowa Organization for Nursing Leadership Conference](#): Tuesday, May 10
- [Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act \(EMTALA\) Series](#): Wednesday, May 11 - Wednesday, May 25
- [2022 IHA Governance Webinar Series](#): Tuesday, May 17 - Tuesday, Nov. 15
- [Iowa Society of Healthcare Attorneys Conference](#): Thursday, May 19
- [2022 IHA Employment Law Four-Part Virtual Series](#): Tuesday, May 24 - Tuesday, Aug. 16
- [Workplace Violence Program Workshop](#): Thursday, June 30 - Thursday, Aug. 18

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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](https://www.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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