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IHA Tee Off Classic starts 2022 PAC campaign

The IHA PAC campaign formally kicked off yesterday at the IHA Tee Off Golf Classic event. Contributions received during the event allow IHA to support lawmakers who support Iowa hospitals. Participants were not required to make a PAC donation to attend.

Hospital leaders on the IHA PAC Committee voted to approve a campaign goal of \$125,000, the same goal as last year. The [2021 IHA PAC annual report](#) details hospital and individual contributions as well as campaign contributions.

Additionally, the 2022 PAC campaign kit with campaign materials and templates was mailed to each IHA member CEO. The mailing includes the hospital's goals, solicitation rules and tips for running a successful campaign. The [IHA PAC campaign kit](#) also can be found online.

A strong IHA PAC puts Iowa's hospitals and the communities they serve at an advantage at the Iowa Statehouse. [Visit the IHA PAC webpage](#) for more information about the PAC and to see individual and total hospital contributions to date.

Email questions to IHAPAC@ihonline.org.

Contributions or gifts to the IHA PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for tax purposes. All contributions are voluntary and have no impact on your job status, performance review, compensation or employment. Any giving guidance is merely a suggestion. Any amount given or the decision not to give will not advantage or disadvantage you. Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year January-December.





IHA PAC Chair Jason Harrington, president and CEO, Lakes Regional Healthcare, Spirit Lake, addresses golfers at the 2022 IHA Tee Off Golf Classic. The event is the official launch of the 2022 IHA PAC campaign. The IHA PAC Committee set the 2022 total goal to \$125,000.

Stage set for 2022 midterm elections

On Tuesday, Iowans voted in the 2022 midterm primary elections. Several state House and state Senate candidates with hospital leadership experience or strong hospital connections won their primary races. The night took a surprising turn when several incumbents lost their primaries.

Several races were too close to name a winner, but IHA will continue to update members as votes are finalized and races are called. The 2022 general election is scheduled Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Email [Erin Cubit](#), [Jamie Horbach](#) or [Jenny Klein](#) at IHA with questions.

62 hospital members signed DEI pledge

More than half of IHA member hospitals and two health systems have signed IHA's Pledge to Champion Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity. With six months left in 2022, IHA is more than halfway to its goal of received signed pledges from all member hospitals. The pledge is a promise to advance diversity in leadership and governance in hospitals and health systems to reflect the changing communities they serve.

To support hospitals in their DEI efforts, IHA has provided resources including:

- [Case studies](#).
- [Inclusive language guidelines](#).
- [Webinars](#).

IHA also has incorporated DEI sessions in its signature events, including the 2022 Annual Meeting. Visit the [IHA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Resource webpage](#) for a list of hospitals that signed the pledge, to download the pledge and for additional resources.

Iowa Medicaid launches MEME webpage

Iowa Medicaid recently launched a systems modernization initiative starting with

solutions targeted to improve the experience for providers and Medicaid staff in provider enrollment, screening, credentialing and maintenance of provider information. The effort, called the Medicaid Enterprise Modernization Effort (MEME), now has a webpage. The [MEME webpage houses information](#) about the implementation strategy, vision, outcomes and baseline data. Providers are encouraged to subscribe to page for updates about MEME activities.

Iowa Medicaid also released a [request for information seeking responses from potential vendors to gather information about Medicaid Enterprise provider outcome solutions](#).

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Iowa news

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- [UnityPoint Health-St. Luke's Hospital announces \\$25 million expansion](#)
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- [More cases of monkeypox expected as CDC warns of community spread](#)
- [COVID-19 mRNA vaccines can be quickly updated for new variants. So, where's my omicron booster?](#)

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Online education

- [Common Life Safety Code Deficiencies](#): Tuesday, June 14
- [Emergency Preparedness Regulatory Conditions of Participation](#): Tuesday, June 28
- [Workplace Violence Program Workshop](#): Thursday, June 30 - Thursday, Aug. 18

In-person meetings

- [Behavioral Health Affiliate of Iowa Conference](#): Thursday, June 16
- [Iowa Alliance in Home Care Summer Conference](#): Thursday, June 23

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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