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Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2021

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IHA submits feedback about Iowa Medicaid's state plan amendment for rebasing

On Monday, [IHA submitted comments](#) to the Department of Human Services about Iowa Medicaid's State Plan Amendment regarding inpatient hospital reimbursement rates. The comments focused on concerns about the timeline for when updated reimbursement rates become active and the administrative burden the delay causes when providers resubmit claims. IHA also noted for DHS that Medicaid reimbursement rates have not had an inflationary increase since July 2013.

Questions about the amendment can be emailed to [Susan Horras](#) at IHA.

Thank you to the 2021 Iowa Hospital Heroes

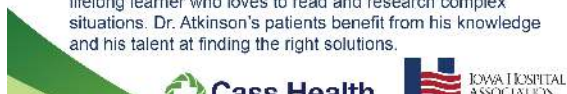
IHA and Iowa hospitals are grateful to our hospital staff who ensure Iowa's hospitals provide quality care day in and day out. Eleven heroes were recognized at IHA's 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting and each will be highlighted in IHA Today starting with this issue highlighting Seann Atkinson, DO, from [Cass Health](#) in Atlantic. Thank you to all the 2021 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 2022 IHA Annual Meeting, Oct. 4-6. Click [HERE](#) to submit nominations by Friday, April 29, 2022. Email [Craig Borchard](#) at IHA with questions.

Seann Atkinson, DO

Family Medicine Physician
Cass Health, Atlantic

Seann Atkinson, DO, sets himself apart as a great teacher and co-worker. Staff note he is very approachable and always willing to answer questions or help despite his busy schedule. He is a lifelong learner who loves to read and research complex situations. Dr. Atkinson's patients benefit from his knowledge and his talent at finding the right solutions.





The Crises in Nursing and Pandemic Care webinar registration open

The COVID-19 pandemic has exposed a crisis in nursing as staff shortages and worker burnout take its toll. The [Can't Pour From an Empty Cup: The Crises in Nursing and Pandemic Care webinar](#) will address challenges facing nurses during the pandemic and how this trauma plays a role in professional and workforce conditions. The webinar is scheduled from 1-2 pm, Thursday, Nov. 30.

Candace Burton, PhD, associate professor in the Sue and Bill Gross School of Nursing at the University of California will:

- Describe the elements of an appropriately trauma-informed work environment during the pandemic.
- Identify sources of trauma affecting nurses during the pandemic.
- Review how trauma and burnout intersect to reduce nurses' capacity to provide safe, effective, nonjudgmental care.

To register for the webinar, click [HERE](#).

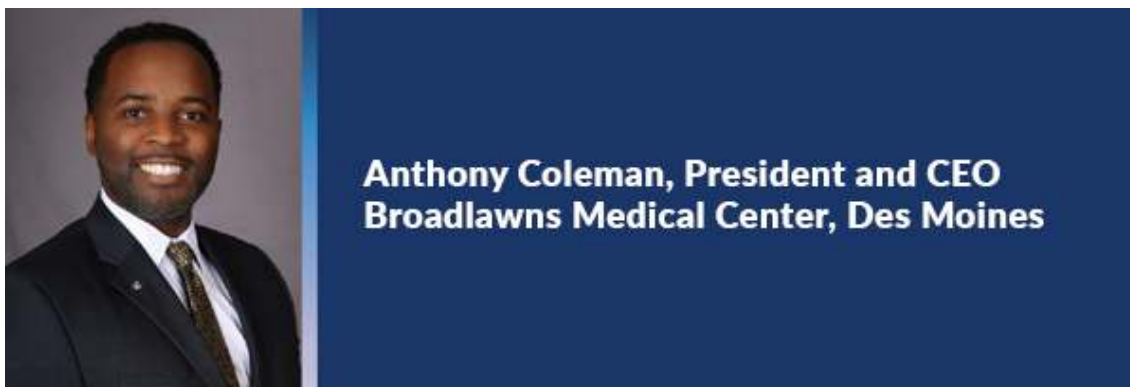
Anthony Coleman named new Broadlawns CEO

[Broadlawns Medical Center](#) in Des Moines recently announced Anthony Coleman has accepted the position of president and chief executive officer effective Monday, Dec. 6.

Coleman most recently was vice president of operations and assistant hospital administrator for Kaiser Permanente's San Bernadino service area in California. He also was a Naval officer, chief operating officer and chief financial officer during his 20 years of service in the United States Navy.

Coleman earned his doctorate in health administration and policy, a master's degree in health administration degree from the Medical University of South Carolina and his bachelor's degree in workforce, education and development from Southern Illinois University.

Read more [HERE](#).





Moderna updates expiration date extensions for COVID-19 vaccines

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) released information about expiration date extensions for the Moderna COVID-19 vaccines. A total of 78 lots have been approved for extensions.

Challenges with IT systems have slowed updates of the extensions. IDPH recommends hospitals, health systems and providers continue to use Moderna's look up tool as the official indicator of produce expiry. Visit the look up tool [HERE](#).

For a list of lot numbers and expiration dates, click [HERE](#).

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Iowa news

- [Reasons aplenty for kids to get a COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [COVID-19 monoclonal antibody allocation system working in Iowa](#)
- [Rankings again show the poverty of Iowa's COVID-19 policy](#)

National news

- [US COVID-19 battle turns a corner as borders open to foreign travelers](#)
- [COVID-19 reinfection likely for unvaccinated, study suggests](#)
- [Moderna says its COVID-19 vaccine has strong results in children 6-11](#)

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Upcoming events

- [Making Your HVAC Systems Pandemic Ready with Needlepoint Bipolar Ionization](#): Oct. 26.
- [CMS Update on PAMA Lab Reporting Requirements. Who needs to report?:](#) Oct. 26
- [Workers' Compensation Conference](#): Oct. 27.
- [2021 Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals Physical Environment Update](#) Nov. 9.
- [Governance Webinar Series](#): Tuesday, Nov. 16
- [IHA Leadership Development Program](#): Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021 - Wednesday, April 6, 2022
- [Can't Pour From an Empty Cup: The Crisis in Nursing and Pandemic Care](#): Tuesday, Nov. 30

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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