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Thursday, Oct. 28, 2021

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2021 Virtual Annual Meeting recordings available until Oct. 30

If you missed any sessions during IHA's 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting, make sure to watch the recordings before it's too late! Recordings of keynote speakers and breakout sessions from the annual meeting will be available on LeaderPass until Saturday, Oct. 30.

If you plan to watch the videos on your organization's network, please take the following steps:

- Use Chrome as your browser.
- Firefox is also good. Safari and Explorer do not work as well.
- If you have the option to, use another device or Wi-Fi network to access LeaderPass.
- If you still have trouble, it is more than likely a firewall issue – particularly if you are viewing this at work or on a company device. If you believe this to be the case, please contact your IT department and have them 'whitelist' www.leaderpass.com and www.vimeo.com. In the meantime, you can use your phone's LTE data to access your account.
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- If you haven't created a LeaderPass account yet, go to <https://app.leaderpass.com> and create an account with the same email you registered with.
- If you do have a LeaderPass account, go to <https://app.leaderpass.com> and ensure you are logging on to the existing account page and not the new-user page. Again, use the same email you registered with.

And remember to mark your calendars for IHA's 2022 Annual Conference scheduled Oct. 4-6, 2022, at the Iowa Events Center.

November MCO call canceled

The November Medicaid managed care organization (MCO) call with IHA and the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise has been canceled because of a scheduling conflict. The call was originally scheduled from 2-3 pm, Wednesday, Nov. 10.

Contact [Susan Horras](#) with questions.

HHS/ASPR hosts November stakeholder listening sessions

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) will host three virtual listening sessions in November. The sessions will cover:

- [Supply chain system: 12:45-2 pm, Friday, Nov. 5.](#)
- [Health care: noon-1:15 pm, Tuesday, Nov. 9.](#)
- [Public health: noon-1:15 pm, Wednesday, Nov. 10.](#)

Dawn O'Connell, principal adviser on public health emergencies, will share her vision for ASPR and the organizations priorities. Stakeholders also will have an opportunity to participate in a question-and-answer session.

Four people per organization or company may attend a listening session. Because of the interest in each topic, HHS and ASPR asks each organization to self-identify with the focus area that best aligns with their equities.

Organizations must complete a registration form and return it to ASPR no later than 2 pm Monday, Nov. 1. Access the form [HERE](#).

Contact ASPR at ASPRStakeholder@hhs.gov with questions.

Iowa Legislature to hold special session

The Iowa Legislature will meet in a special session today to review the second set of proposed redistricted maps. The redistricting process is required by law to happen every 10 years based on population.

Iowa law allows the legislature to reject the second set of maps without amendment. Members of the IHA advocacy team will attend the special session and will update members if the maps are approved or rejected.

Email [Erin Cubit](#) with questions.

IHA to participate in Medicaid Matters monthly meeting

[Medicaid Matters](#), a coalition of nonprofit organizations statewide partnering to protect and improve Medicaid, will host its monthly meeting today. Because IHA's priorities align with Medicaid Matters, members of IHA's advocacy team participate in the monthly meetings but do not have a leadership role.

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. This issue features Eric Ash, MD, from [Dallas County Hospital](#) in Perry. 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.

Eric Ash, MD

Medical Director
Dallas County Hospital, Perry

Eric Ash, MD, has been a prominent leader throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. He stepped up and created policies to help Dallas County Hospital navigate these challenging times, and he was instrumental in preparing the hospital for the outbreak. Dr. Ash helped organize testing clinics, made multiple calls to various agencies and met with staff daily, all while continuing to manage his practice. Dr. Ash is a leader in the hospital and throughout the communities where he provides care.



CEO PROFILE

DAVE BURD

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
METHODIST JENNIE EDMUNDSON

FIVE THINGS ABOUT ME

1

I completed a full Ironman-distance triathlon seven years ago.

2 A CAREER I CONSIDERED

Initially in college, my plan was to be an accountant because I always enjoyed numbers.

3

HOSPITAL PROJECTS

We are renovating our emergency department, the hospital's east entrance, and we're revisiting our master facility plan.

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MY FAVORITE QUOTE IS:

Whether you think you can or you can't, you're right. — Henry Ford



I joined Methodist Jennie Edmundson in May 2020 as senior vice president of operations before becoming chief executive officer in July.

I hold a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and a master's degree in health care administration from Bellevue University.

As CEO, I want to continue emphasizing the importance of our strong organizational culture.

My wife, Tammy, and I have three children: Kayley, Emily and Kevin.



I'm looking forward to getting more involved with IHA. I serve

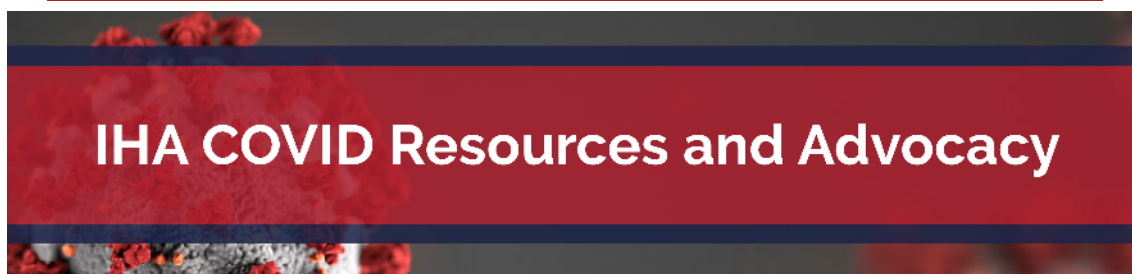


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more involved with IHA. I serve on the advocacy and data councils. I'm looking forward to meeting more people in-person and getting involved with IHA-related initiatives.

Missed a previous CEO podcast? Click the links below to learn more about Iowa's new hospital leaders.

- [Catherine Hillestad](#), CEO at [Adair County Health System](#).
- [Ben Davis](#), CEO at [Osceola Regional Health Center](#).
- [Deb Herzberg](#), president and CEO at [Avera Holy Family Hospital](#).
- [Chuck Nurdyke](#), CEO at [Clarinda Regional Health Center](#).
- [Cory Nelson](#), CEO at [Sioux Center Health](#).
- [Cindy Carstens](#), CEO at [Stewart Memorial Hospital](#).



IDPH releases updated CDC COVID-19 guidance

The Iowa Department of Public Health released new COVID-19 vaccine information from the Centers for Disease Control. The information includes:

- **FAQ about the COVID-19 vaccine booster** including eligibility, formulation, mix-and-match boosters and the definition of “fully vaccinated.”
- **Moderna COVID-19 booster dose volume and vial presentation.**
- **Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 updates** including schedules for webinars.
- **Updated interim clinical considerations updated Oct. 25.** The CDC updated guidance about considerations for use of booster doses, vaccine dose and schedule, guidance for vaccination in moderately and severely immunocompromised people and an updated table about vaccine administration errors and deviations.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

NewsStand

Iowa news

- [Hospitals are busy, and Iowans need to get vaccinated](#)
- [Sioux County sees positive outcomes from behavioral health mobile crisis program](#)
- [Iowans don't need to prove eligibility for COVID-19 booster shots](#)

National news

- [COVID-19 vaccination rates for kids echo regional disparities, worrying doctors](#)
- [ERs are now swamped with seriously ill patients – but many don't even have COVID-19](#)
- [FDA advisory panel OKs Pfizer vaccine for children 5 to 11](#)

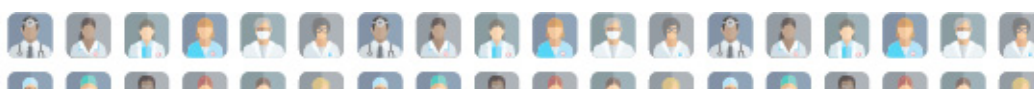
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Upcoming events

- [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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