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Register for infection prevention regulatory webinar

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services updated its condition of participation for infection prevention and antibiotic stewardship on March 30, 2020. Nancy Ruzicka, a consultant on state and federal rules, will lead a regulatory webinar regarding the updates.

Ruzicka will discuss commonly cited deficiencies, the CMS COVID-19 and infection control worksheets and interpretive guidelines. Hospital C-suite officers, compliance officers, legal counsel, pharmacists, physicians and quality improvement staff are encouraged to attend.

The [Infection Prevention and Antibiotic Stewardship webinar](#) is scheduled from 10 a.m.-noon Tuesday, Sept. 13. Email questions to [Tori Hanson](#) at IHA.



I began as CEO of Buchanan County Health Center in February 2022. Before this, I was interim

GETTING TO KNOW

WADE WEIS

CEO

BUCHANAN COUNTY HEALTH CENTER

FIVE THINGS ABOUT ME

1

I chose Buchanan County Health Center because it wasn't your typical critical access

2

CHALLENGES IN MY NEW ROLE AS CEO:

Staffing, especially for nurses, is a big issue for all health care facilities. We also need to look at

2022 before that, I was interim CEO and chief financial officer of Geary Community Hospital in Junction City, Kansas.

I have 20 years of progressive experience in health care and spent the last 13 years in leadership positions.

I have been married for 30 years and have two adult children who live in Kansas.




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critical access hospital. It's very progressive and the people are passionate.

growth for our facility.

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INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT MY NEW COMMUNITY:

There were several fires in the 1800s. The community rebuilt on top of the old town. The community is very patriotic and celebrated its 175th birthday.

4

The COVID-19 pandemic taught me:

Don't take things for granted and the health care community must be willing to change and improve.

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Some of my hobbies include:

I enjoy baseball, spending time with family, doing house projects and taking my metal detector out. Unfortunately, I only find coins and other small items.

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- [Cristina Hendricks](#), CEO at [George C. Grape Community Hospital](#).
- [Ryan Meyer](#), vice president and site administrator at [MercyOne Cedar Falls Medical Center](#).
- [Ron Kloewer](#), CEO at [Montgomery County Memorial Hospital](#).
- [Anthony Coleman](#), president and CEO at [Broadlawns Medical Center](#).
- [Jill Groth](#), vice president and site administrator at [MercyOne Oelwein Medical Center](#).
- [David Stark](#), president and CEO at [UnityPoint Health-Iowa Methodist Medical Center](#).
- [Dave Burd](#), president and CEO at [Methodist Jennie Edmundson](#).
- [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 Community Hospital](#).



**Alicia Reed, President
CHI Health Mercy Corning**



Alicia Reed named CHI Health Mercy Corning president

After serving as interim president of [CHI Health Mercy Corning](#), Alicia Reed was named permanent president of the facility on July 10. Reed had been the interim president since February after previous president Kurt Sargent accepted a position as chief financial officer for Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City, Michigan.

Reed started her health care career at Mercy Corning as the home medical equipment service line manager and as a respiratory therapist. She eventually took on leadership roles as the supervisor for quality, safety and clinical support services and compliance safety specialist. Before becoming interim president, Reed was the administration network coordinator for 34 critical access hospitals associated with CHI Health.

Reed holds a master's degree in health care management, a bachelor's degree in health science and an associate degree in respiratory therapy.

IDPH updates remaining COVID-19 therapeutics allocations threshold

The Iowa Department of Public Health encourages organizations who do not receive allocations of therapeutic products to notify and work with prescribers and local public health agencies about the availability of therapeutic products in their communities. IDPH said the [remaining allocations threshold for this week](#) are:

- Bebtelovimab – 205 courses.
- Evusheld – 1,608 doses (monthly allocation).
- Molnupiravir – 384 courses.
- Paxlovid – 1,060 courses.
- Renal paxlovid – 95 courses.

The Department of Health and Human Services also released a [COVID-19 therapeutics locator](#).



Schabel Solutions meets hospitals' DEI needs

With more than 25 years of diversity, equity and inclusion and human resource practitioner experiences, the [Schabel Solutions](#) team understands what it takes to develop and implement effective DEI programs. The Des Moines-based company has worked with Fortune 100 and 500 organizations, but also has worked with many Iowa clients, including IHA, to meet their DEI needs.

Started in 2016, Schabel Solutions offers full-service DEI consulting with customizable solution to normalize inclusive behaviors and help clients build skills, plans and confidence needed to achieve long-term goals. Schabel Solutions also offers DEI training, keynote presentations, culture audits, DEI assessments and

coaching.

[Email Claudia Schabel](#) to learn more about Schabel Solutions and its approach to creating inclusive workplace cultures.

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Iowa news

- [Study: Iowa hospitals provided millions of dollars in benefits in 2021](#)
- [Concerns raised about Glenwood Resource Center closure timeline](#)
- [10 Iowa hospitals receive 5 stars from CMS](#)

National news

- [Hospitals are closing ORs daily, even without a COVID-19 surge](#)
- [CDC model: BA.5's effect on admissions still unclear](#)
- [The U.S. reaches a critical moment to contain monkeypox](#)

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Online education

- [Basics of Proposed Rural Emergency Hospital Conditions of Participation and Payment](#): Tuesday, Aug. 2
- [2022 IHA Employment Law Four-Part Virtual Series](#): Tuesday, Aug. 16
- [Creating Successes: IHA's Summer Series for Health Care Leaders](#): Tuesday, Aug. 16
- [Infection Prevention and Antibiotic Stewardship](#): Tuesday, Sept. 13
- [2022 IHA Governance Webinar Series](#): Tuesday, Sept. 13 - Tuesday, Nov. 15
- [Swing-bed Fundamentals](#): Tuesday, Nov. 29
- [Pharmacy Conditions of Participation](#): Tuesday, Dec. 6
- [CMS Updates](#): Thursday, Dec. 15

In-person meetings

- [IHERF Swinging for Scholars Golf Outing](#): Thursday, Sept. 1
 - [Iowa Society for Healthcare Engineering Fall Conference](#): Thursday, Sept. 15 - Friday, Sept. 16
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