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CHAPTER NEWS

On behalf of the AHEF Board, thank you for your recent participation in the Chapter survey. The results are in, and the Arkansas Chapter EXCEEDED the national expectations. Overall, our survey score was a 7.9. Only 8 ACHE Chapters in the country achieved this level or greater! We are very pleased with the results, but more importantly, with the feedback from you on how to make the Arkansas Chapter “Even Better”!! We look forward to sharing the specific survey results with you in the near future.

Congratulations to ACHE 2011 Award Recipients!

Regent’s Award – Early Career

Sujay Kola, Clinical Effectiveness Specialist, St. Vincent Health System

Regent’s Award – Senior Career

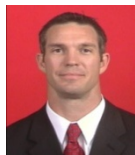
J. Kevin Hodges, Vice President, Senior Services, St. Bernards Medical Center

Please join me in congratulating both Sujay and Kevin as we recognize them for their contributions to our profession.

We look forward to seeing you at the various sponsored events during the Annual Hospital Association Meeting. During these activities, please reach out to the AHEF Board Members and let them know of your interest to get involved!



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AHEF President



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AHEF Audit
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Not Pictured: Greg Crain, AHEF Past President

AHEF Member Educational Opportunities

October 5, ACHE Advancement Session 10 a.m.-12 noon Peabody Hotel – (Hoffman Room)

This session will take place the day before the Arkansas Hospital Association's 81st Annual Meeting in Little Rock. Brian Barnett, FACHE, Administrator – Internal Medicine, UAMS Multiple Myeloma Institute, and Michael Givens, FACHE, Administrator, St. Bernards Medical Center will share information about ACHE advancement to Fellow status.

Something New this Year based upon your Feedback!

October 5, AHEF New Member Networking Social, 4-5:30 p.m. Peabody Hotel – (Peck Room)

Please come join board members and other new AHEF members for a networking social.

October 6, ACHE/AHEF Annual Breakfast 7:30-9:15 a.m. Peabody Hotel – (Salon C)

"Turning Boos into Cheers: How Effective are You?"

Walt Coleman, NFL Referee and Executive with Coleman Dairy, will share lessons on life and success from his incredible life that mixes the reality of operating a thriving family-oriented agricultural business with the fast-paced, and often maligned, role of referee in the National Football League.

October 7, ACHE 3-hour Category I Workshop 9 a.m.-12 noon Peabody Hotel – (Salon A)

"Using Metrics as a Road Map to Hospital Success"

Steven Berger, FACHE, Healthcare Insights, will discuss how to advance your organization's financial, clinical and operation outcomes by using the right measurement tools to set and assess progress toward strategic goals.

Information on all these program opportunities is available at

<http://www.arkhospitals.org/events/annual-meeting>.



Chris Barber, FACHE
AHEF President

Message from the Regent:

Summer 2011

Chris Barber, FACHE and I attended the ACHE Chapter Leaders Conference in Chicago recently with over 200 others to share and learn about new developments at ACHE. We were also able to participate in an exercise that will help develop the Chapter of the Future. I want to congratulate Chris and the AHEF Board and committees for the great work the Chapter is doing in Arkansas.

I want to encourage each of you to attend the ACHE/AHRF breakfast on Thursday, October 6 in Little Rock as a part of the Arkansas Hospital Association 81st Annual Meeting. There will also be an ACHE Category I workshop on Friday, October 7 entitled "Using Metrics as a Road Map to Hospital Success" and I want to encourage you to attend this session as well. It is an easy way to earn Category I credit and network with others in ACHE. I will look forward to seeing you there.

The members of the Regents Advisory Council are listed below. I would like to express my appreciation to each of them for their support and commitment to ACHE.

John Baker, PhD
Chris B. Barber, FACHE
Brian Barnett, FACHE
Greg Crain, FACHE
Bob S. Ellzey, FACHE
Michael Givens, FACHE
Beth Ingram
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Please let me know if there is anything that that I can do to be of service to you concerning ACHE.

Phillip Gilmore, FACHE

Regent for Arkansas