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Greetings NAHSE family,

It is amazing how time flies! Once again fall is upon us and one more year is coming to an end. NAHSE has had another busy and successful year.

In October we hosted our 31st Annual Educational Conference and 21st Everett V. Fox Student Case Competition at the Red Rock Resort and Spa in Vegas. From early indications it was a rousing success. We had record attendance, stimulating educational content, thought provoking speakers and most of all engaged participants.

Now the work really begins. Up next is our Annual Leadership Retreat in San Antonio, Texas, December 2 – 4. During this meeting we will set the stage for the remainder of our work for next year. It is an opportunity for all members to help shape the direction of the association.

Finally, on November 8th our country exercised its democratic responsibility and selected a new President for the next four years. While the outcome may have been surprising for some, we should use this as an opportunity to lead the discussion on health care.

While the exact direction of the President-Elect’s agenda can’t be determined at this time, we can surmise from early discussions that the Affordable Care Act will face significant challenge and scrutiny. This is not the time for us to remain silent. This is the time for us to be proactive to ensure that any changes to the law that has brought coverage to millions of citizens only enhance the work that has already been done.

This is the time for us to contact our members in Congress and encourage them to continue to work on behalf of the communities they serve to ensure that we all work together to improve the health status of all Americans.

NAHSE has always been in the forefront for speaking out for the communities we serve and, now more than ever, we need to represent their voices.

Sincerely,

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Congratulations Rupert!

2016 Young Healthcare Executive
Dr. Mario Garner, Ed.D.
Senior Vice President & CEO, Memorial Hermann Pearland Hospital
Pearland, Texas

The Young Healthcare Executive award is given to a NAHSE member, under 40 years of age with progressive management experience in healthcare organization(s) and has demonstrated commitment to the development and career of a young health care professional, involvement in advocacy and public policy and active in community organizations.

Congratulations Dr. Garner!
Congratulations

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Jacquelynn Y. Orr, MHA, FACHE | 2016-2017 Ellis Bonner Scholarship Award
The Ellis Bonner Award is a special category to recognize the distinguished leadership and academic achievement among Non-Traditional graduate students who are striving to become future leaders in Healthcare Management and NAHSE. The award contribution is awarded to graduate students attending universities and colleges to help defer the tuition costs for the academic year.

Vaughn Williams | 2016-2017 Haynes Rice Scholarship Award
The Haynes Rice Award is bestowed by NAHSE to outstanding graduate students who are striving to become future leaders in Healthcare Management and NAHSE. The Award contribution is awarded to graduate students attending accredited universities and colleges to help defer the tuition costs for the academic year.

Alexandra Simonton | 2016-2017 Florence Gaynor Scholarship Award
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- Cachet Colvard
- Christian Blaser

2nd Place Award Winner
The George Washington University

Teams members included:
- Mira King
- Javin Patterson
- Khang Vuong

3rd Place Award Winner
University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill

Teams members included:
- Yamira Maldonado
- Mark Travis
- Emily Tierney

4th Place Award Winner
Virginia Commonwealth University

Teams members included:
- Danielle Scott
- Jennifer Eguzoro
- Abdulhamid Nur

5th Place Award Winner
Rush University

Teams members included:
- Brianna Solola
- Renita Costa
- Erica Torres

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The San Antonio Chapter joined the National Association of Health Services (NAHSE) family in October of 2015, announced at the 30th Annual Educational Conference in New Orleans.

San Antonio was host to the first military chapter in 1993, but unfortunately the military community was unable to sustain its membership.

Over the years we have struggled with attempts to start a chapter here, and with the population of African Americans in San Antonio being only 7%, as you can imagine the pool of African American healthcare executives was even smaller.

Over the years healthcare organizations have increased their diversity, and other corporations have relocated to San Antonio inciting us to once again initiate a chapter.

Finally success! Chapter members are excited about increasing our membership by being as visible as possible in the community through service. Fiesta San Antonio is the most popular community event. For over two weeks, various events take place complete with Fiesta Queens, parades, lots of eating events and opportunities for non-profit organizations to develop funds.

One such organization, the San Antonio Zulu Association hosts the Taste of New Orleans. It’s a three day event featuring various entertainment and interesting food booths.

The San Antonio NAHSE Chapter was on board to provide identification checks to prevent under-age drinking. We worked a four hour shift, checking IDs and providing wrist bracelets, in spite of the rain.

We’re excited to be a new chapter of NAHSE!
On August 1, 2016, NAHSE Memphis members traveled to the BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Headquarters in Chattanooga to award the 2016 Diversity Scholarships. The BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Community Trust offers a $10,000 (awarded in two payments of $5,000 each over the course of two consecutive semesters) college scholarship to three Tennessee minority students who wish to pursue careers in the field of health care. The award is administered and presented by the Memphis chapter of the National Association of Health Services Executives.

The recipients were presented with remarks from Dr. JD Hickey, President & CEO of BCBST and Mr. Calvin Anderson, Senior Vice President of Corporate Affairs and Chief of Staff of BCBST. Anderson is a member of the NAHSE Memphis Chapter and currently serves on the chapter’s Advisory Board. The 2016 Recipients included Ciara Taylor (Middle Tennessee State University), Myah Mukes (UT-Chattanooga), and Andrea Murrell (UT-Martin).

Chara Stewart Abrams, NAHSE Memphis Chapter President-Elect, addresses recipients at BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Headquarters in Chattanooga

NAHSE Memphis Board members with award recipients from left to right: John Baldwin (Membership Chair), Cynthia Bardwell (Member-At-Large), Andrea Murrell, Myah Mukes, Ciara Taylor, Tavarski Hughes (Parliamentarian), and Chara Stewart Abrams (NAHSE Memphis Chapter President-Elect)
On October 13, 2006, the Veterans Affairs (VA) National Chapter was chartered and inducted into the National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE). According to Mr. Bruce Triplett, the first Veterans Affairs National Chapter President, it only makes sense that NAHSE, a premier health care organization for black professionals, would affiliate with individuals from the Veterans Health Administration, a premier health care organization.

The VA Chapter was installed with 18 charter members: Bruce Triplett (President), Anthony Dawson (President-Elect), Roslyn Cole (Vice President), Cheryl Y. Gayden-Hicks (Secretary), Earl Newsome III (Treasurer), Roy Hawkins, Jr. (Parliamentarian), Lisa Barnes, Donna B. Cobbah, Yettalevette Enobakhare, Roderick Gilbert, Tenisha Hughes, Deborah Mavis Johnson, Rica Lewis-Payton, Guy B. Richardson, Phyllis J. Smith, Tiffany R. Smith, Linda F. Watson, and Maria Lewis-Wilson.

Unlike most NAHSE Chapters that are locally-based, the VA Chapter encompass executives, mid- and early-careerist from the Department of Veterans Affairs across the nation. The Chapter continues to strive to increase visibility and membership within the largest integrated healthcare system in the US, the Veterans Health Administration. As the only virtual Chapter, creativity and effective use of technology has been key to promoting the mission and program goals of NAHSE and supporting Chapter Members. Chapter members interact and communicate through social media platforms and attend meetings and education sessions virtually.

As the Chapter progressed Members have served at the national level as officers and committee members. Some of these members include Roy Hawkins, Jr. who served as NAHSE President (2013 – 2015) and is now Immediate Past President (2016 – 2018); Guy B. Richardson who served as a member of the Executive Committee and Co-Chair of the Council of Chapter Presidents (2011 -2015); Ila Flannigan who serves as a current Co-Chair of the Awards & Scholarship Committee (2015-2017); and D’Rondrell “Ron” Hamner who served as a Co-Chair of the Awards & Scholarship Committee (2013-2015) and is now a Co-Chair of the Everett V. Fox Student Case Competition Committee (2015-2017).

To celebrate the 10 year Anniversary, the Chapter is ready to serve as the Host Chapter for the 31st Annual Educational Conference and Business Meeting in Las Vegas, NV. The Chapter previously served as the host chapter in 2011, also in Las Vegas, NV. Throughout the years the chapter members contributed to the success of the Annual Conference and Business Meetings supporting the Career & Fellowship Receptions, Serving as Ambassadors, Judges for the Case Competition, and Breakout Session Presenters. We are also very proud to claim three (3) NAHSE Senior Executive of the Year Award Recipients Rosalyn Cole, Linda Watson, and Guy Richardson and NAHSE Young Executive of the Year Award Recipient Roy Hawkins. A record number of Department of Veterans Affairs NAHSE members are planning to attend the conference in 2016 and will be integral in planning and support of the 31th Annual Educational Conference to include Network, Health System & Hospital Directors & Executives, Administrative Fellows, and Middle and Early Careerists.

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The Chapter is also excited to plan the Conference Community Service Project and partnered with the VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System for “NAHSE Operation Veteran Homelessness”. NAHSE will have the opportunity this year to help the Department of Veterans Affairs in the fight to end Veterans Homelessness. Public and Private hospitals can help with finding ways to employ homeless Veterans in addition to the continued access to community care so essential to transforming the quality of life for homeless Veterans.

As a virtual chapter, it is a tradition to plan a community service activity that partners with VA medical facilities within the communities of the conference sites. During NAHSE 30th Annual Educational Conference in New Orleans, the NAHSE Veterans Affairs National Chapter donated over $300 in toiletries and clothing to the New Orleans Homeless Veterans Stand Down. The Director of the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System, Fernando Rivera, and Cynthia White, Voluntary Assistant, were excited to receive the much needed donations.

In commemoration of our 10th Anniversary, The NAHSE Veterans Affairs National Chapter awarded the first Bruce Triplett Conference and Education Scholarship for 2016 to Justina Wells, MPH. Justina is the current Chapter Secretary and serves as the Executive Assistant to the Director at the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System. She has been a member of NAHSE and the Veterans Affairs National Chapter since 2013.

The Bruce Triplett Conference and Education Scholarship honors the contributions of the late Bruce Triplett, NAHSE VA National Chapter Founding President and Charter Member through supporting Early Careerist by recognizing a chapter member that has demonstrated a commitment to NAHSE, NAHSE VA National Chapter and achievement in their VA/VHA career goals. The scholarship covers the cost of “Early Bird” Registration for the NAHSE Annual Educational Conference and Business Meeting.

Bruce Triplett, 1953 - 2013, served as the Director of the Fayetteville VA Medical Center from 2006 until his retirement in 2009. Triplett began his career as an Administrative Resident at the VA Medical Center in Kerrville, TX in 1979.

In 1994, he was accepted into the VHA Senior Management Training Program. After which he served in several Executive Leadership roles at VA Medical Centers and the VA Central Office.

Bruce Triplett received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Northeastern University in Boston and a Master of Healthcare Administration from Xavier University in Cincinnati.
Promoting individual professional growth while supporting Philadelphia’s black-owned businesses, NAHSE-DVC hosted its September Power Hour Networking Event at Reef Restaurant & Lounge. Attendees enjoyed the opportunity to meet with area healthcare executives. The event marked the 4th and final networking event of the year.

The NAHSE-DVC distributed its third DVC Pulse “Momentum,” which showcased local members and upcoming events. Visit www.nahsedvc.com to view the current and archived versions of the DVC Pulse.

In early October, the DVC hosted “Populations and Pipelines: A Health System’s Approach to Healthcare Disparity” showcasing the exciting work of Barry Mann, MD, Chief Academic Officer, Main Line Health and Chinwe Onyekere, MPH, Associate Administrator, Lankenau Medical Center and System Administrator, Graduate Medical Education. The event occurred on the eve of Chinwe’s return visit to the White House, where she and Phillip Robinson, Lankenau Medical Center President were recognized by the First Lady of the United States, Michelle Obama.

NAHSE-DVC co-sponsored “The Power to Heal: the Legacy of Medicare and Medicaid,” a symposium organized by the Temple University College of Public Health and Fox School of Business. This symposium highlighted the impact of Medicare and Medicaid on US healthcare delivery from the 1960s to the present. The symposium featured presentations from David B. Smith, PhD, Professor Emeritus, Temple University, Research Professor, Drexel University; Edith Mitchell, MD, Professor of Medicine & Medical Oncology, Immediate Past President of the National Medical Association; and Neil Calman, MD, President & CEO, Institute for Family Health, Dept. Chair, Mount Sinai Hospital.

Now in its 9th year, NAHSE-DVC held its annual “Emerging Leaders Healthcare Summit” in November. Annually, the Summit furthers NAHSE’s mission by providing a forum for students and early healthcare careerists to be introduced to the organization, with the goal of enhancing their professional and career development through networking. It also provides senior executives an opportunity to share their wealth of knowledge and sage advice to empower the next generation of leaders.

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NAHSE Delaware Valley Chapter events

Ensure greater participation of African-Americans and minority groups in the health care field
Submitted by Shonalie Roberts, NAHSE DVC Chapter

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NAHSE-DVC teamed up with Main Line Health again in November for the Health Career Academy ("HCA") Kickoff event with Dr. Barry Mann. The HCA is a program that brings a team of healthcare professionals, physicians, public health educators, school administrators, teachers, and students to the classroom. The HCA’s mission is to provide mentorship, an engaging health curriculum, and exposure to health careers for high school students from low income, underrepresented minority communities. In its first year partnering with the HCA, NAHSE-DVC has 13 volunteer healthcare administrators and healthcare management professionals, who aim to build on the academy’s existing diversity of knowledge and expertise. NAHSE-DVC strives to increase these Philadelphia high school students’ exposure to and understanding of non-clinical careers in healthcare. A special thank you is extended to the 2016 NAHSE-DVC HCA volunteers!

The DVC will host its final event of the year – Annual Holiday Scholarship Dinner on December 8th. This year, Suzanne Beauvoir-Jackson, FACHE, CEO of John Randolph Medical Center in Richmond, VA will be the keynote speaker. The 2016 Dinner theme is “The Executive: Journey, Resilience and Balance.” Visit www.nahsedvc.com for details.

DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER- FOUNDED 1989

Albert Black, Fred Carey, Jacqueline Kelly, June Nelson, and Wayne Swann chartered the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Association of Health Services Executives after a series of meetings in 1985 and 1986. The group recognized the need for a professional organization in the Philadelphia area and neighboring cities devoted to the advancement of blacks in healthcare. As the chapter’s first president, Al Black pulled together the area’s cadre of healthcare leaders to provide education, networking opportunities and awareness around disparities in healthcare. Throughout the years, the chapter has lead and spearheaded several initiatives, including hosting the 1998 National Educational NAHSE Conference. The chapter still remains active and continues to grow its membership and diversity amongst its board membership.
NAHSE photos

1. NAHSE Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter receives Program of the Year Award; 2. NAHSE Fitness Challenge led by Dr. Kristian Henderson (next to Maude Lofton in black and pink shoes); 3. NAHSE Chapter of the Year, Memphis Chapter, Cynthia Bardwell, Current Chapter President, Jeremy Sanders and President-Elect, Chara Stewart-Abrams; 4. Mario Garner, Young Healthcare Executive; 5. DSS, Inc. golf tournament sponsors; 6. Keynote Speaker, Presidents Luncheon, Harold Ford, Jr., Former U.S. Representative & Political Pundit for MSNBC and CNBC; 7. Case Competition Committee Members, Student Networking Reception at the Red Rock Bowling Alley; and 8. DSS, Inc. sponsored annual golf tournament signage.
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11 NAHSE Educational Conference Opening night Reception; 12 Educational Conference Ribbon Cutting; 13 Chapter presidents with National President Anthony King and President-Elect Richelle Dixon; 14 Public Policy Forum, Al Campbell, Audrey Smith, Anthony King, Mayoral Panelist, Dr. Karen Weaver (Flint, MI), Jamalal Boyd, Sr., Mayoral Panelist, Karen Freeman Wilson (Gary, IN), Paul Atkins and Moderator, Eric Whittaker, MD, Chairman of Paladin TWG Healthcare, LLC; 15 Chef Judson Todd Allen, Cooking Demo; 16 Chef Judson Todd Allen, Cooking Demo and audience interaction and participation.

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Four executives with the Erlanger Health System in Chattanooga, Tenn. were recognized at the Tennessee Hospital Association’s (THA) annual Awards of Excellence ceremonies held last week in Nashville.

Winning the Executive Nurse of Distinction Award was Jan Keys, DNP, RN, FACHE, senior vice-president and chief nursing officer of the Erlanger Health System. Dr. Keys was honored for being a driving force in transforming the nursing culture at Erlanger.

Erlanger’s Chief Diversity Officer Elizabeth Appling, MBA, won the Diversity Champion Award during the October conference and was recognized as the “best of the best in championing diversity and inclusion at Erlanger.”

Recognized at the American College of Health Executives (ACHE) awards ceremony on Friday were Stephanie Boynton and Tanner Goodrich.

Ms. Boynton, who serves as Vice President and CEO of Erlanger Bledsoe and Sequatchie Valley, was named Rural Hospital Executive of the Year.

Mr. Goodrich, Erlanger Vice-President of Operations, won the Early Careerist Award by the ACHE and was recognized for his “insight on market growth and bottom line performance” during ACHE’s Awards of Excellence program.

The four Erlanger executives were among 24 individuals from across the state honored at THA’s annual meeting. THA serves as an advocate for hospitals, health systems and other healthcare organizations in Tennessee.
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Gyasi Chisley
Global Senior Vice President
UnitedHealthcare

Gyasi Chisley has accepted a new position with United Healthcare as the Global Senior Vice President. In this new role, Gyasi will head up the creation and implementation of strategic and innovative health programs.

Gyasi has called Memphis, TN home for the past three and a half years and will soon be leaving Tennessee and likely be based in Chicago or the Bay Area of California for his new position.

Gyasi was the youngest within all of Memphis’ healthcare top executives. He worked alongside Jonathan Watkins and both men made history as the youngest top executives within the Methodist healthcare system.

Gina Calder
Vice President, Ambulatory Services
Park Avenue Medical Center

Gina Calder has assumed responsibility for inpatient and outpatient radiology services, executive oversight of Radiation Oncology Services at Park Avenue Medical Center and oversight of the Bridgeport Hospital Ambulatory Services business; along with her current responsibilities which include Park Avenue Medical Center, Ahlbin Rehabilitation Center and oversight of the Bridgeport Hospital Ambulatory Services business; along with her current responsibilities which include Park Avenue Medical Center, Ahlbin Rehabilitation Center.

Gina most recently lead the successful opening of the Park Avenue Medical Center as a significant contribution to Bridgeport Hospital and YNHHS. In her new role, Gina will lead the ongoing refinement of this business strategy as a growing part of Bridgeport Hospital and YNHHS.

Rick Stevens
President
Christian Hospital
St. Louis, MO

Rick Stevens is the new President at Christian Hospital in St. Louis, MO. He is responsible for leading all aspects of Christian Hospital as a provider of critical and quality health care services in north St. Louis County. Rick has over 20 years of health care experience and most recently served as the Chief Administrative Officer at St. Luke’s Hospital.

Rupert M. Evans, Sr., MPA, DHA, FACHE
Modern Healthcare’s Excellence in Governance Award Recipient

Rupert M. Evans, Sr., MPA, DHA, FACHE, Chairman and Program Director, Department of Health Administration at Governors State University in University Park, Illinois is the recipient of Modern Healthcare’s Excellence in Governance Award recognizing a trustee of a medium-sized provider organization. Dr. Evans is dedicated NAHSE member and Chicago-Midwest Chapter member.

Anthony (Tony) B. Coleman
Associate, Healthcare Operations
Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. & Hospitals

NAHSE National Treasurer, Anthony (Tony) B. Coleman, has been selected for the 2017 Thomas C. Dolan Executive Diversity Program. The year-long program will help further prepare mid- and senior-level careerists to advance to higher leadership roles. Tony is currently with Kaiser Foundation Health Plan Inc. and Hospitals, Southern California Region in Pasadena, California.

For more information about the 2017 scholars and the Executive Diversity Program, visit http://ache.org/ExecutiveDiversity/

Susan Burroughs, FACHE
Chief Operating Officer
Kershaw Health

Susan Burroughs, FACHE has been named Chief Operating Officer at Kershaw Health in Camden, SC. Susan will have operational oversight for much of the health system’s ancillary clinical services and support services.

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