

# KCAHE NEWS

## Upcoming Event Calendar

**January 10      11am-1pm**

KCAHE Annual Meeting.  
The View at Briarcliff

**February 14      11am-1pm**

Monthly Membership Meeting.  
The View at Briarcliff

**If you would like to present at a monthly meeting, please send an outline of your topic to Tracy Johnson, [director@kcahe.org](mailto:director@kcahe.org).**

## Membership Open for 2023

Membership is now open for the 2022 calendar year.

Memberships can be renewed and new members can enroll by going to [www.kcahe.org](http://www.kcahe.org) and clicking on the membership tab.

Current memberships will expire on December 31, 2022.



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## KCAHE Gives Back

KCAHE will be making year-end donations to the following Kansas City organizations.

**[Build Trybe Kansas City](#)** - helping youth 13 and older through real world experience in trade training

**[Synergy Services](#)** - providing crisis hotlines, emergency shelter, therapy, and violence prevention programs

**[KC Shepherd Center](#)** - providing programs to help both active and homebound older adults live healthy, engaged and independent lives

**[HopeKids](#)** - offering a program of highly-anticipated events and activities to all families who have a child with a life-threatening medical condition

**[reStart Kansas City](#)** - providing Kansas City's most vulnerable homeless populations with a continuum of housing services

**[Down Syndrome Innovations](#)** - providing services to allow people with Down Syndrome to live to their fullest potential

**[Uplift](#)** - providing mobile street outreach for the homeless in Kansas City

Thank you again to all of our members, sponsors and friends for your support this year. Your participation allows us to provide much needed assistance in our communities.

## Upcoming Changes to KCAHE Board

Nic Riesenber, North Kansas City Hospital, will assume the position of KCAHE President at our January meeting. Mark Brooks, St. Luke's Health System, will move into the Past President role, Colin Fitzgerald, Children's Mercy, will become President-elect and Mitch Lewis, St. Luke's Health System, will be the new KCAHE Treasurer.

The following changes will also take place on board committees. Rory Gayle with WSP will be the incoming Membership Chair replacing Mindy Whisler (WSP) who has served in that role since 2016. The Membership Chair will work closely with our Marketing and Outreach committee to increase membership participation and will also be the vendor liaison on the board.

Andrew Petersen, JE Dunn, will take over as the Scholarship and Education Chair. Andrew has been working closely with Shelly Koehler (JE Dunn) for the last year and is ready to provide our membership with outstanding educational opportunities in 2023. Andrew will also be looking at ways to expand our outreach in the community through our scholarship program. Shelly will be leaving this role after serving the KCAHE Board as Scholarship & Education Chair since 2017.

Malcolm Sparling, Specified Technologies, Inc., will move into the role of Annual Conference Co-Chair with Jeff Bennett (McCarthy Building Companies). Malcolm was integral in assisting with this year's Annual Conference and we are excited to have him in this role for upcoming events.

Catie Smith, Children's Mercy Hospital, has served as Annual Conference Co-Chair for two years and will be moving into a new position in 2023 as KCAHE Board Secretary. Membership will vote on Catie's installation during the January Annual Meeting.

Adam Zorn, Children's Mercy Hospital, is finishing his tenure as Past President. Adam will be leaving the board after 8 years of service to our membership. Adam's first position with KCAHE was as the Energy to Care Chairperson in 2015.

Derek Kautio, McCownGordon Construction, has served on the board as Associate Member Liaison since 2017 and will be stepping down from that role at the end of this year.

Thank you to all who have served our membership and welcome new Board members!

# KCAHE Year-End Wrap Up



KCAHE is thankful for another year of outstanding membership participation in events and education! This year yielded some of our highest-grossing fundraisers and best attended events to date.

The year started off with our annual meeting in January followed by BHC hosting the annual Poker Tournament. KCAHE is grateful to have such supportive vendor partners.



KCAHE members were able to take advantage of over 26 hours of educational opportunities, including the CHC Exam review class and management training classes offered through Johnson County Community College. We are working to expand educational offerings in 2023 so watch for upcoming information!

The Annual Conference returned to Arrowhead and this year's theme was *"What's Next" Looking Forward to the Future in Healthcare*. The event featured many dynamic speakers including representatives with Microsoft and HCA. Vendor members had the opportunity to connect in the exhibitor area with this year's attendees.



Members were also able to network and socialize at multiple events including an outing to Chicken N' Pickle and the annual Topeka golf event - which is always popular with KCAHE membership. The annual golf tournament in August at St. Andrews was another sell-out event! The social committee will be looking at new opportunities in 2023 to expand KCAHE's social and networking opportunities.



KCAHE's Marketing and Outreach committee continues to work to expand participation and awareness of the opportunities provided by KCAHE membership. This year saw the introduction of an outreach program to rural health facility employees offering a free membership in the organization. We will continue to develop and expand targeted programs to reach additional communities and individuals who will benefit from KCAHE membership.



Thank you for a successful 2022 and we look forward to the coming year!