



Arkansas Health Executives Forum

June 2011

CHAPTER NEWS

Congratulations! Arkansas Health Executive Forum was recognized on March 22, 2011 during the Annual Congress of Healthcare Leadership as an Outstanding Chapter. AHEF was the recipient of prestigious honors in the following categories:

- ACHE's Award of Chapter Distinction by Achieving Performance Standards in 2010
- ACHE's Award for Sustained Performance (which recognized chapters that receive a Chapter Management Award in three consecutive years.)

Once again, congratulations to you for making AHEF a recognized leader.

ACHE Recognition Program Award

The AHEC Recognition Program was designed to acknowledge the contributions of ACHE Affiliates to Healthcare Management Excellence through their volunteer service to their profession, their Chapter and ACHE.

Please join me in congratulating **Beth Ingram, AHA** and **Michael Givens, St. Bernards Medical Center** for their outstanding service and achievement.

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

- June 15th-17th – Hospital Executive / Trustee Leadership Summer Conference
 - 1.5 Category I ACHE credits – Program will be a panel discussion on Health Insurance Reform.
- October 5 – 7th – AHA Annual Meeting
 - 3 hour Category I ACHE program will be provided.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Chris Barber'.

Chris Barber, FACHE
AHEF President

Message from the Regent

Spring 2011

As your Regent, I want to share with you my appointments to the Regents Advisory Council for this coming year and to express my appreciation to each of them for their support and commitment to ACHE. The members of the Regents Advisory Council are as follows:

John Baker, PhD

Chris B. Barber, FACHE

Brian Barnett, FACHE

Greg Crain, FACHE

Bob S. Ellzey, FACHE

Michael Givens, FACHE

Beth Ingram

Connie B. Melton, FACHE

John N. Robbins, FACHE

Scott Street

Marion A. Thompson, FACHE

ACHE is offering the Board of Governors Exam Fee waiver promotion to ACHE Members who apply for the FACHE credential between March 1 and June 30, 2011. Members must submit their completed Fellow application and the \$250 application fee during the promotion period. Pending application approval, ACHE will waive the \$200 Board of Governors Exam fee. All follow-up materials (i.e. 2011 references) must be submitted by August 31, 2011 to receive the waiver. For more information on the promotion, go to ache.org/FACHE.

Are You LinkedIn with ACHE?

The ACHE Official Group on LinkedIn is exclusively for affiliates and provides ongoing networking with healthcare leaders. They can exchange information, build contacts and share ideas. For more information and to register, visit ache.org and click on the LinkedIn icon.

Please let me know if I can be of service to you in any way by contacting me at phillip.gilmore@acmconline.org or (501) 454-8576 (cell). Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Regent.

Phillip K. Gilmore, FACHE

ACHE Regent for Arkansas

AHEF Member Educational Opportunities

Beth Ingram, vice president, educational and membership services for the Arkansas Hospital Association, has been named to a three-year term on the ACHE's Programs, Products and Services committee. The committee is charged with serving as a resource to staff in the development of educational programs and leadership development initiatives.

September 21, AHEF workshop (1.5 hours of ACHE Category I credit pending)

The next quarterly meeting of the Arkansas Health Executives Forum will be Wednesday, September 21 at Gilbreath Conference Center at Baptist Health Medical Center in Little Rock. At this meeting and pending approval, ACHE Category I education credit will be offered for attendance.

October 5, ACHE Advancement Session

By popular demand, the ACHE Advancement Session will be offered on Wednesday morning, October 5. Bob Ellzey, FACHE, CEO of Mena Regional Health System and AHEF board member, will lead the discussion. If you are considering advancement to Fellow status in ACHE, you don't want to miss this very informative session that garnered rave reviews by last year's attendees!

October 6, ACHE/AHEF Annual Breakfast Meeting

The annual ACHE/AHEF breakfast meeting will be held Thursday morning, October 6, at the Peabody Hotel in Little Rock as part of the Arkansas Hospital Association's Annual Meeting. Speaker for the event will be NFL referee and motivational speaker Walt Coleman of Little Rock. Coleman has been applauded by hundreds and booed by millions and has been in practically every home in America via television. He is a National Football League Referee, one of the most maligned yet anonymous men in the world. On the home front Walt is a husband, father, community leader and an executive with Coleman Dairy.

October 7, ACHE 3-hour Category I Workshop

The annual 3-hour ACHE Category I workshop will be held Friday, October 7. Steven Berger, president of Healthcare Insights, will speak on "Using Metrics as a Road Map to Hospital

Success,” one of the top three rated ACHE programs/speakers. The session will offer information on advancing your organization’s financial, clinical and operational outcomes by using the right measurement tools to set and assess progress toward strategic goals.

ACHE/AHEF Awards

Nominations are open for the 2011 Arkansas Hospital Association (AHA) awards program. The A. Allen Weintraub Memorial Award and Distinguished Service Award will be presented during the Arkansas Hospital Association's 81st Annual Meeting Awards Dinner Thursday, October 6, at the Peabody Hotel in Little Rock. Arkansas’ C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year will be recognized by the Arkansas Health Executives Forum, and the Diamond Awards, cosponsored by the Arkansas Society for Healthcare Marketing and Public Relations, also will be presented at the Awards Dinner. In addition, the ACHE Regent’s Awards will be presented at the ACHE Breakfast meeting that same morning.

- The **C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year Award** is named for the late C. E. Melville, administrator of Jefferson Regional Medical Center in Pine Bluff. The award recipient is selected by the Arkansas Health Executives Forum’s Awards Committee. The award recipient must be under age 40, a resident of Arkansas for at least two years, employed by an Arkansas healthcare institution, and meet requirements for active membership in the Arkansas Health Executives Forum.
- The 2011 **ACHE Regent’s Awards** will honor outstanding healthcare executive leadership in two areas – early career and senior level. The two recipients, selected by the Arkansas Health Executives Forum’s Awards Committee, will be presented their awards at the ACHE Breakfast during the AHA Annual Meeting and recognized at the annual Awards Dinner that same evening.

Nominations and entries (with the exception of the Diamond Awards), accompanied by appropriate documentation, must arrive at AHA headquarters no later than **August 5, 2011**. A brochure and entry form for all awards may be downloaded from <http://www.arkhospitals.org/events/annual-meeting> (scroll down the page to see all awards brochures and entry forms).

Information on all these program opportunities will be mailed soon. Please contact Beth Ingram at bingram@arkhospitals.org with questions.