

Save the Date: Virtual Congress

We're excited to announce our first-ever virtual [Congress on Healthcare Leadership](#), March 21–25, 2021, and invite you to save the date as we count down to a stellar education and networking opportunity.

FACHE® Membership Tenure Requirement Change

As a reminder, the Board of Governors made the decision to change the membership tenure requirement for initial Fellow advancement from three years to one year effective Jan. 1, 2021. We remain confident the change will make Fellow status possible for more of our Members who meet the requirements and wish to advance to this important leadership level.

Keep in mind that while the membership tenure requirement was adjusted, the other [requirements](#) for Members to obtain the FACHE credential remain the same.

If you have any questions about the FACHE requirements, the [deadline extensions](#) or the process in general, please reach out to our Customer Service Center at contact@ache.org or (312) 424-9400, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Central time.

Complimentary Career Resource Center Webinar Series

The career landscape continues to evolve, creating new expectations and requiring enhanced expertise while navigating the potential opportunities ahead. ACHE's Career Resource Center hosted a webinar series designed to support members covering such topics as “The NEW Networking Model”, “Building Confidence and Defining Your Executive Presence”, and exploring “The Role of an Executive Coach” in your ongoing career and leadership development pursuits. To view these webinars, please visit <https://www.ache.org/career-resource-center/career-resource-webinars>

ACHE Nominating Committee Slate

The ACHE Nominating Committee has agreed on a slate to be presented to the Council of Regents at the Council of Regents meeting in March. All nominees have been notified and have agreed to serve if elected. All terms begin at the close of the Council meeting. The 2021 slate is as follows:

Nominating Committee Member, District 2 (two-year term ending in 2023)

Jhaymee Tynan, FACHE
Assistant Vice President, Integration
Atrium Health
Charlotte, N.C.

Nominating Committee Member, District 3 (two-year term ending in 2023)

John M. Snyder, FACHE
President

Sanford Health Plan
Sioux Falls, S.D.

Nominating Committee Member, District 6 (two-year term ending in 2023)

Lt Col Stephanie S. Ku, FACHE
U.S. Air Force

Governor (three-year term ending in 2024)

Carolyn P. Caldwell, FACHE
CEO
Dignity Health-St. Mary Medical Center
Long Beach, Calif.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2024)

Karen F. Clements, RN, FACHE
CNO
Dartmouth Hitchcock
Lebanon, N.H.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2024)

Michael O. Ugwueke, DHA, FACHE
President/CEO
Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare
Memphis, Tenn.

Governor (three-year term ending in 2024)

COL Brett H. Venable, FACHE
U.S. Army

Chairman-Elect

Anthony A. Armada, FACHE
President/CEO
AHMC Seton Medical Center and AHMC Seton Medical Center Coastsides
Daly City, Calif.

Additional nominations for members of the Nominating Committee may be made from the floor at the annual Council of Regents meeting.

Additional nominations for the offices of Chairman-Elect and Governor may be made in the following manner: Any Fellow may be nominated by written petition of at least 15 members of the Council of Regents. Petitions must be received in the ACHE headquarters office (American College of Healthcare Executives, 300 S. Riverside Plaza, Ste. 1900, Chicago, IL 60606-6698) at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting of the Council of Regents. Regents shall be notified in writing of nominations at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting of the Council of Regents.

ACHE Call for Nominations for the 2022 Slate

ACHE's 2021–2022 Nominating Committee is calling for applications for service beginning in 2022. ACHE Fellows are eligible for any of the Governor and Chairman-Elect vacancies and are eligible for the Nominating Committee vacancies within their districts. Those interested in pursuing applications should review the candidate guidelines for the competencies and qualifications required for these important roles. Open positions on the slate include:

- Nominating Committee Member, District 1 (two-year term ending in 2024)
- Nominating Committee Member, District 4 (two-year term ending in 2024)
- Nominating Committee Member, District 5 (two-year term ending in 2024)
- Four Governors (three-year terms ending in 2025)
- Chairman-Elect

Please refer to the following district designations for the open positions:

- **District 1:** Canada, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont
- **District 4:** Alabama, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas
- **District 5:** Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Candidates for Chairman-Elect and Governor should submit an application to serve that includes a copy of their resume and up to 10 letters of support. For details, please review the Candidate Guidelines, including guidance from the Board of Governors to the Nominating Committee regarding the personal competencies of Chairman-Elect and Governor candidates and the composition of the Board of Governors.

Candidates for the Nominating Committee should only submit a letter of self-nomination and a copy of their resume.

Applications to serve and self-nominations must be submitted electronically to jnolan@ache.org and must be received by July 15. All correspondence should be addressed to Heather J. Rohan, FACHE, chairman, Nominating Committee, c/o Julie Nolan, American College of Healthcare Executives, 300 S. Riverside Plaza, Ste. 1900, Chicago, IL 60606-6698.

The first meeting of ACHE's 2021–2022 Nominating Committee will be held in spring 2021.

Following the July 15 submission deadline, the committee will meet to determine which candidates for Chairman-Elect and Governor will be interviewed. All candidates will be notified in writing of the committee's decision by Sept. 30, and candidates for Chairman-Elect and Governor will be interviewed in person on Oct. 28.

To review the Candidate Guidelines, visit [ache.org/CandidateGuidelines](https://www.ache.org/CandidateGuidelines). If you have any questions, please contact Julie Nolan at (312) 424-9367 or jnolan@ache.org.

Safer Together: A National Action Plan to Advance Patient Safety

ACHE joined members of the National Steering Committee for Patient Safety to author *Safer Together: A National Action Plan to Advance Patient Safety* to provide health systems with renewed momentum and clearer direction for eliminating preventable medical harm.

[*Safer Together: A National Action Plan to Advance Patient Safety*](#) draws from evidence-based practices, widely known and effective interventions, exemplar case studies and newer innovations. The plan is the work of [27](#) influential federal agencies, safety organizations and experts, and patient and family advocates, first brought together in 2018 by the [Institute for Healthcare Improvement](#).

The knowledge and recommendations in the National Action Plan center on four foundational areas deliberately chosen because of their widespread impact on safety across the continuum of care:

1. *Culture, Leadership, and Governance*: The imperative for leaders, governance bodies and policymakers to demonstrate and foster deeply held professional commitments to safety as a core value and promote the development of cultures of safety.
2. *Patient and Family Engagement*: The spread of authentic patient and family engagement; the practice of co-designing and co-producing care with patients, families and care partners to ensure their meaningful partnership in all aspects of care design, delivery and operations.
3. *Workforce Safety*: The commitment to the safety and fortification of the healthcare workforce as a necessary precondition to advancing patient safety; the need to work toward a unified, total system perspective and approach to eliminate harm to both patients and the workforce.
4. *Learning System*: The establishment of networked and continuous learning; forging learning systems within and across healthcare organizations at the local, regional and national levels to encourage widespread sharing, learning and improvement.

For ACHE resources on advancing patient safety, visit [ache.org/Safety](https://www.ache.org/Safety). There you will find [*Leading a Culture of Safety: A Blueprint for Success*](#), which gives CEOs and senior leaders a tool to both assess and advance their organization's culture of safety.