

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **American College of Health Care Administrators Announces New Board of Directors Following 2025 Annual Convention**

Washington, D.C. — April 28, 2025 — The American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) is pleased to announce the results of its recent Board elections held during the 2025 Annual Convention. ACHCA proudly welcomes a distinguished slate of Officers, District Directors, and Board Advisors, each bringing passion, leadership, and a commitment to advancing excellence in post-acute and aging services administration.

#### **2025–2026 ACHCA Officers:**

- **Immediate Past Chair:** Matthew Lessard, FACHCA (Maine)
- **Chair:** Mark Prifogle, FACHCA (Indiana)
- **Vice Chair:** Blair Quasnitschka, FACHCA (South Carolina)
- **Treasurer:** Israel Ray, FACHCA (Kentucky)
- **Secretary:** Philip Jean, FACHCA (Maine)

#### **Newly Elected Board Members:**

- **Academic Director:** Dr. Lindsey Crepeau, FACHCA (Wisconsin)
- **District 7 Director (Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma):** Michael Ricks, FACHCA (Oklahoma)
- **District 8 Director (Texas and Louisiana):** Dr. Michael Mileski, FACHCA (Texas)
- **District 9 Director (Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota):** Sharon Colling, FACHCA (North Dakota)
- **District 12 Director (Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada):** Dr. Charles Villafranca, FACHCA (Arizona)

#### **New Board Advisors:**

- **University Student Advisor:** Delia Pullen (Wisconsin)
- **Administrator-in-Training (AIT) Advisor:** Michael Beckfield (Minnesota)
- **Emerging Professional Advisor:** Annabelle Howat (Oregon)
- **Emeritus Advisor:** Julian Rich, FACHCA (Massachusetts)

"Our newly elected leadership reflects ACHCA's steadfast commitment to cultivating the next generation of health care administrators, advocating for our profession, and promoting best practices across the entire post-acute continuum," said Chair Mark Prifogle. "I am excited to collaborate with this exceptional team as we continue to strengthen ACHCA's voice and value in a rapidly changing health care environment."

This dynamic Board of Directors will guide ACHCA's mission to inspire, support, and advocate for administrators in nursing homes, assisted living, and across the aging services sector. Building on initiatives such as the launch of the ACHCA Synergy Purchasing Network, the ACHCA Foundation, enhanced mentorship programs, and expanded professional advocacy efforts, the new leadership team will focus on empowering members, strengthening chapters, advancing research, and elevating ethical standards throughout the profession.

ACHCA extends its heartfelt gratitude to the outgoing leaders whose contributions have helped set the stage for this exciting new chapter:

Dr. Daniel Kelley (North Dakota), Dr. Kendall Brune (Missouri), Dr. David Wolf (Florida), Larry Slatky (New York) and Bonnie Wood (Arizona).

For more information about ACHCA's leadership, programs, and membership opportunities, visit [www.achca.org](http://www.achca.org).

**About ACHCA:**

Founded in 1962, the American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) is the premier professional association devoted to advancing leadership excellence in post-acute and aging services administration. Through professional certification, educational offerings, mentorship, advocacy, and research initiatives, ACHCA empowers administrators to lead with integrity, compassion, and innovation.

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