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ACHE Announces 2017 Publishing Awards

CHICAGO, January 27, 2017—The American College of Healthcare Executives announced the winners of its 2017 Publishing Awards: the James A. Hamilton Book of the Year Award and the Dean Conley and Edgar C. Hayhow awards for outstanding articles. The awards, each given annually, will be presented during ACHE’s 60th Congress on Healthcare Leadership in Chicago March 27–30.

Carson F. Dye, FACHE, and Brett D. Lee, PhD, FACHE, are the winners of the 2017 James A. Hamilton Book of the Year Award for The Healthcare Leader’s Guide to Actions, Awareness, and Perception (Health Administration Press, 2016). In this book, Dye and Lee examine key leadership principles, illustrate core concepts with stories and examples, and set forth a framework of protocols tailored to specific interactions and situations. Leaders at every level—from newcomers to experienced executives—will find guidance on the special skills required for building and maintaining positive relationships with a variety of individuals and groups, and how to be aware of the risk of missteps and derailment. Topics covered in this book include professional image and reputation; ethical decision making; relationships with the executive team, the governing board and physicians; communications, technology and social media; ethnic, gender and generational diversity; and self-awareness.

Dye is president and CEO, Exceptional Leadership LLC in Toledo, Ohio. Lee is CEO of Dallas Market, Tenet Healthcare Corp. in Texas.

The winners of the 2017 Dean Conley Award are Robert J. Henkel, FACHE, and Patricia A. Maryland, DrPH, for their article "The Risks and Rewards of Value-Based Reimbursement," published in the winter 2015 issue of Frontiers of Health Services Management. The article explores how healthcare systems making the transition from volume to value can maximize their reward while managing their risk. Henkel and Maryland examine how healthcare systems across the country must not only reimagine how to identify, engage and manage the care of patients, but also determine new ways of engaging and aligning physicians and other caregivers in creating better-coordinated care across the continuum. The authors also analyze many value-based models—including pay for performance, shared savings, bundled payments, shared risk, global capitation and provider-sponsored health plans—and how these options should include an evaluation of market readiness.

Henkel is executive vice president, Ascension and president and CEO, Ascension Health in St. Louis. Maryland is president of healthcare operations and COO, Ascension Health.

The winners of the 2017 Edgar C. Hayhow Award are Ginger Azbik, Shivani Gupta, PhD, Nitish Patidar, PhD, and Robert Weech-Maldonado, PhD, for their article "Succession Planning and Financial Performance: Does Competition Matter?" published in the May/June 2016 issue of the Journal of Healthcare Management. Based on the results of a study, Azbik, Gupta, Patidar and Weech-Maldonado discovered a positive relationship between the presence of succession planning and financial performance, which was stronger in competitive markets than in monopolistic markets. The team used a panel design consisting of a national sample of hospitals in the United States for 2006–2010. The results can be used by hospitals to make informed decisions about investing in succession planning programs on the basis of competition in their market.

The James A. Hamilton Award is given to the author(s) of a management or healthcare book judged outstanding by ACHE’s Book of the Year Award Committee. The award is underwritten by the Alumni Association of the
Graduate Program in Healthcare Administration of the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, in honor of the late James A. Hamilton, FACHE, the program's founder and course director from 1946 to 1966 and ACHE's 1939–1940 chairman.

The Dean Conley Award, named for ACHE's executive director from 1942–1965, is granted annually to recognize the contributions made to healthcare management literature and to encourage healthcare executives to write and publish articles. This year's winning article was selected by ACHE's Article of the Year Awards Committee.

The Edgar C. Hayhow Award is given to the author(s) of an article judged the best from among those published in the Journal of Healthcare Management, ACHE's official journal. Named in honor of ACHE's 14th Chairman, Edgar C. Hayhow, the first practicing administrator to earn a doctoral degree, the award recognizes outstanding contributions to healthcare management literature. The winning article was selected by ACHE's Article of the Year Awards Committee.

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The American College of Healthcare Executives is an international professional society of 40,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. ACHE's mission is to advance our members and healthcare management excellence. ACHE offers its prestigious FACHE® credential, signifying board certification in healthcare management. ACHE's established network of 78 chapters provides access to networking, education and career development at the local level. In addition, ACHE is known for its magazine, Healthcare Executive, and its career development and public policy programs. Through such efforts, ACHE works toward its vision of being the preeminent professional society for healthcare executives dedicated to improving health. The Foundation of the American College of Healthcare Executives was established to further advance healthcare management excellence through education and research. The Foundation of ACHE is known for its educational programs—including the annual Congress on Healthcare Leadership, which draws more than 4,000 participants—and groundbreaking research. Its publishing division, Health Administration Press, is one of the largest publishers of books and journals on health services management including textbooks for college and university courses.

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