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ACHE Installs 17 New Regents, Appoints Four Regents-at-Large and Two Interim Regents

CHICAGO, March 24, 2018—Seventeen healthcare executives have been elected to serve three-year terms as Regents, and four have been appointed to serve as Regents-at-Large for the American College of Healthcare Executives. The Regents took office today at the Council of Regents Meeting preceding ACHE’s 61st Congress on Healthcare Leadership.

In addition, two Regents recently were appointed to represent members on an interim basis in Illinois—Central & Southern and Mississippi.

The elected Regents will represent ACHE members in their respective jurisdictions; Interim Regents serve until the next election can be held. All individuals are board certified in healthcare management as ACHE Fellows.

Following are the new Regents and the jurisdictions they represent:

Alabama—Keith A. Parrott, FACHE, CEO, Alabama, Tennessee and Missouri group, Tenet Health, Birmingham, Ala.

Alaska—Julie Taylor, FACHE, CEO, Alaska Regional Hospital, Anchorage, Alaska

Colorado—Lindsley A. Withey, FACHE, principal, Percival Health Advisors, Greenwood Village, Colo.

Delaware—Michael S. Eppehimer, FACHE, COO, medical group/Christiana Care, Christiana Care Health System, Newark, Del.

District of Columbia & Northern Virginia—Michelle R. Comeaux, FACHE, director, regulatory readiness and performance improvement, Inova Health System, Falls Church, Va.

Georgia—James D. Dennard Jr., FACHE, vice president/COO, Gwinnett Medical Center, Lawrenceville, Ga.

Hawaii/Pacific—Gidget Ruscetta, FACHE, COO, Pali Momi Medical Center/Hawaii Pacific Health, Aiea, Hawaii

Idaho—Thomas J. Murphy, FACHE, CEO, Minidoka Memorial Hospital, Rupert, Idaho

Illinois—Central & Southern—Karen C. Brown, FACHE (Interim Regent), vice president, operations, OSF Healthcare Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rockford, Ill.

Kansas—Patricia E. Sanders-Hall, FACHE, CEO/co-owner, Higher Road Coaching PC, Overland Park, Kan.

Louisiana—Diane Yeates, FACHE, COO, Terrebonne General Medical Center, Houma, La.

Massachusetts—Karen O. Moore, FACHE, senior vice president, operations/CNO, Lawrence General Hospital, Lawrence, Mass.
Mississippi—Christopher L. Morgan, FACHE (Interim Regent), CEO, Health Strategies LLC, Ocean Springs, Miss.

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

Oklahoma—Tim Johnsen, FACHE, chair, hospital division, Integris Health, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Oregon—Winford C. Howard II, FACHE, CEO, Asante Three Rivers Medical Center, Grants Pass, Ore.

Rhode Island—Jennifer L. Tomasik, FACHE, vice president, CFAR Inc., Providence, R.I.

Texas—Northern—Edwin K. Hutchenerider Jr., FACHE, president, Methodist Richardson Medical Center, Richardson, Texas

Utah—Amanda L. Choudhary, FACHE, administrative director, Intermountain Healthcare-Primary Children’s Hospital, Salt Lake City

Regent-at-Large District 2—Lilly Henson, MD, FACHE, CMO, Piedmont Henry Hospital, Stockbridge, Ga.

Regent-at-Large District 3—Terika R. Richardson, FACHE, president, Advocate South Suburban Hospital and Advocate Trinity Hospital, Chicago

Regent-at-Large District 4—Sally A. Deitch, FACHE, group CEO, El Paso and Rio Grande Valley, Tenet Healthcare, El Paso, Texas

Regent-at-Large District 5—Jonathan E. Watkins, FACHE, COO, Kaiser Permanente-Central Valley Area, Modesto, Calif.

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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 its 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 leaders 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. For more information, visit www.ache.org.
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