The first quarter of 2023 has come and gone too quickly! Our chapter has had a busy few months as we plan for the year ahead. As this year’s President some of my goals include facilitating increased member engagement, encouraging greater student membership and encouraging those student members to continue with ACHE of South Florida after graduation. Furthermore, I want to work with the chapter to boost the number of members with Fellowship credentialing. My request to all of you is to give back to your chapter, by fostering collegial interaction and where appropriate offering mentorship to our newest members. Finding ways to give all interested members a “seat at the table” and encouraging greater involvement will grow and strengthen our organization.

On February 28th we had over 250 attendees at our Board Installation Dinner. Congratulations to the 2023 Board of Directors and a special thank you to Shane Strum, President & CEO, Broward Health, and K. Scott Wester, FACHE, President & CEO, Memorial Healthcare System for leading our fireside chat.

We recently held our first education event at Nicklaus Children’s Hospital, and it was a terrific program. Panelists shared their knowledge on financing via private equity or alternative funding in healthcare. It was very relevant to today’s healthcare landscape. If you were not able to join us in person you have the opportunity to view the lecture on our website at Event Videos.

ACHE Congress was held in March’ and I would like to thank those members who attended and presented on behalf of our chapter. You represented us well!

ACHE of South Florida received the Chapter Innovation Grant under the leadership of our Immediate Past President, Oyinkansola “Bukky” Ogunrinde. This grant encourages a focus on growing the membership of C-suite leaders who work in non-hospital settings. Special thank-you to Haroula Norden, FACHE, President-Elect for spearheading this effort and ensuring we fulfilled all requirements for the Chapter Innovation Grant.

I am very honored and excited to have the opportunity to lead our 1,200 members through this year, a year of recovery. I encourage each of you to engage with our chapter and your fellow members throughout the year.
Please reach out to me or any of our Board of Directors at any time.

For the latest news, including upcoming events, member and sponsor spotlights and much more, please bookmark our chapter's website and follow us on LinkedIn!

Wishing you all the best!

Jenna Merlucci, FACHE
Chapter President, ACHE of South Florida

About ACHE of South Florida
ACHE of South Florida, known as the South Florida Healthcare Executive Forum (SFHEF) until 2020, is the local chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). Its origins date back to 1972 and serves over one thousand healthcare executives, students, and supporters spanning seven counties throughout southeast Florida, from Monroe to the Treasure Coast.

The mission of ACHE and ACHE of South Florida (ACHE-SFL) is to advance our members and healthcare leadership excellence.

Vision
To be the preeminent professional society for leaders dedicated to advancing health.

Values
Integrity
Lifelong Learning
Leadership
Diversity and Inclusion

Mission
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Chapter Highlights
The 2023 Board of Directors Annual Installation Dinner was held on February 28th at the Signature Grand. Thank you to the 250 attendees who represented more than 60 companies. Please check out photos from this event at 2023 Installation Dinner Pictures

Congratulations to the 2023 ACHE of South Florida Board of Directors
Educational Programs

On March 16th, an expert group of panelists from our local healthcare community discussed The Future of Healthcare Financing, Private Equity in Healthcare.

I would like to thank the panelists for their time and dedication to making this event a success and to our hosts Nicklaus Children’s Hospital.

If you missed it, you may watch the program [Here](#) and receive FREE Qualified Education Credit. Remember that you must self-report QECs in your ACHE profile.
ACHE of South Florida celebrates these individuals who recently earned board certification in healthcare management!

Arlen Ross, FACHE

If you are exam-eligible, NOW is a GREAT time to schedule your BOG exam! Submit your advancement application between now and June 30th and, if approved,

ACHE will waive the $225 Board of Governors Exam fee. Apply Here

Updated FACHE Continuing Education Requirement for 2024:

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Message From Your ACHE Regent
Winter 2023

Dear esteemed healthcare executives,

As we embark on a new year, I wanted to take a moment to discuss with you some of the latest developments in the healthcare industry, specifically related to emerging technologies and artificial intelligence (AI).

As healthcare leaders, it is our responsibility to stay informed and ahead of the curve, which is why I am thrilled to announce that the ACHE Congress on Healthcare Leadership is coming up soon in March. This event offers a unique opportunity for us to gather and learn about the latest trends and best practices in healthcare management, with a good bit of focus on emerging technologies and AI. I highly encourage you to register for this event if you haven’t already.

In addition, I would like to draw your attention to some of the recent issues from the Journal of Healthcare Management, which features several articles on the topic of emerging technologies and AI in healthcare. These articles provide valuable insights into the potential impact of these technologies on our industry, including the use of predictive analytics for patient care and the potential of robotic process automation in healthcare administration.

Furthermore, I would like to highlight a recent article from the U.S. Government Accountability Office that explores the use of AI in healthcare to improve patient outcomes and reduce costs. As we all know, the cost of healthcare is a major concern for both providers and patients, and the potential for AI to reduce these costs while improving outcomes is a promising development in our industry.

Finally, I would like to touch on the use of emerging technologies such as virtual and augmented reality in healthcare education and training. An article in HealthLeaders Media discusses the potential of these technologies to enhance education and training for healthcare professionals, ultimately leading to better patient outcomes.

Now, I know some of you may be skeptical of the role that AI and emerging technologies will play in healthcare management, but I assure you that these technologies are here to stay. It is our responsibility as healthcare leaders to embrace these changes and adapt to the evolving landscape of our industry.

In closing, I want to leave you with one final thought. You may have noticed a slight difference in the tone and style of this message, and that’s because this message was actually generated by a language model called ChatGPT. Not only was the entire message written by AI, but it also identified and chose which relevant articles to include. While the technology is still evolving, it is clear that AI and natural language processing have the potential to revolutionize the way we communicate and interact with one another.

Thank you for your time and attention, and I look forward to working with all of you as we navigate the exciting and ever-changing world of healthcare management.

Sincerely,
CONGRATULATIONS to the 2022 ACHE Regent Award Recipients

Haroula Norden, FACHE
Senior Level Healthcare Executive Award

Marla Sanfilippo, FACHE
Mid Level Healthcare Executive Award

David Duvivier Morpeau
Early Career Healthcare Executive Award

MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

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