



News

New Chair and Vice Chair at CalOptima

The CalOptima board held an election last week. Mark Refowitz, interim director of the Orange County Health Care Agency, will

serve as the new chair of CalOptima.

The new vice chair is Lee Penrose, CEO of St. Jude Medical

Center. Jim McAleer, the former vice chair, has resigned.

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LEAD Academy Expands to Inland Empire

Building upon its successful launch at Verdugo Hills Hospital, HASC's LEAD Academy is now available in the Inland Empire.

Because of such positive feedback and strong participant response from the first three sessions, HASC's LEAD Academy now offers newly hired, newly appointed or previously untrained managers and supervisors in the Inland Empire with the leadership skills needed to be successful in today's ever changing health care environment.

Sessions will take place at Loma Linda University (LL) and San

Antonio Community College (SA) according to the following schedule:

- Session 1 - May 31 (LL)
- Session 2 - July 5 (SA)
- Session 3 - August 9 (LL)
- Session 4 - September 6 (SA)
- Session 5 - October 4 (LL)
- Session 6 - October 11 (LL)

Classroom capacity for each session is 30 students. Two payment options are available: Pay per session at \$250 per class or pay for all six sessions (\$1,500).

LEAD is built on the underlying principle that effective leadership requires productive relationships to

support excellence in patient care, sustainable business objectives and a safe patient environment. This program is ideal for hospitals that do not have a leadership training program as well as hospitals looking to supplement their own in-house leadership training program.

To register or to learn more about the LEAD Academy, go to <http://www.hasc.org/education-event/lead-academy-5>.

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Las Encinas Hospital Now a Member

HASC welcomes Aurora Las Encinas Hospital (www.lasencinashospital.com) in Pasadena as a

new member. Jerry Conway is CEO of the acute psychiatric 118-bed facility.

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May 30 PDS University Session to Focus on Contract Negotiations

Join the PDS team for an update of the 20-minute interactive webinar *Getting Ready for Contract Negotiations*, where we will discuss how you can use PDS data as a powerful tool for contract negoti-

ations. Learn how to identify areas of opportunity for revenue enhancement, how to prepare for new payment models, as well as how to dig into the data.

The session is scheduled for

Wednesday, May 30 at 11:00 a.m.

Register online at <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/678805178>.

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Events

Thank You, 2012 HASC Health Care Provider Wellness Conference Sponsors

HASC would like to thank our sponsors for their generous support of the 2012 Health Care Provider Wellness Conference, June 14-15, at the Hilton Los Angeles / Universal City. Bringing together wellness professionals, managers and leaders from across health care settings, this dynamic event will explore ways to improve employee wellness and how to implement cost-effective health and wellness solutions for employees within our hospitals and health systems.

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Sponsorship opportunities are still available for this year's event. Please contact Lu-Shonda Johnson-Wilson at (213) 538-0705 or

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Space is also available for additional attendees. Register today to participate in educational workshops and to hear prominent keynote speakers like Diana Bontá, PhD, president and CEO of The California Wellness Foundation, and Dee Edington, PhD, director, Health Management Research Center. Visit www.hasc.org/2012WellnessConference to download the complete agenda.

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Registration Open for Lean Practitioners Course Beginning June 8

Registration for the summer Lean Practitioners Course beginning June 8 at Los Angeles Metropolitan Medical Center is open online at <https://www.signup4.net/Public/asp.asp?EID=LEAN13E>.

The program is broken into four, eight-and-a-half-hour sessions that

offer a comprehensive introduction to Lean tools proven to eliminate waste, reduce costs, improve quality and deliver greater value to organizations. Each session incorporates real-world simulations and exercises. This course is a prerequisite for some of the other Lean courses offered.

The course is presented by HASC, in collaboration with the University of California Los Angeles, School of Public Health, and the Institute for Performance Excellence. Cost is \$1,250 for HASC members and \$1,500 for non-members.

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Take your organization to the next level with the Institute for Performance Excellence (IPE), which offers a full-service approach to performance excellence in hospitals, health systems and other health care organizations. What sets IPE apart from other training programs? We provide the solid foundation, advanced knowledge and skills in performance improvement, project management and change management specifically for health care professionals. By partnering with leading health care organizations and universities, IPE identifies,

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sets the standard for performance improvement professionals training, development and certification. Membership benefits include: tools and templates; best practices library; SHIP publications; a virtual professional community; and a job board. Certifications equivalent to Lean Six Sigma Green, Black and Master Black belts can be designated upon meeting certain requirements. Visit www.shipus.org for more information.

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