

New Leaders Elected to WHA Board of Directors

Dr. Jeff Bahr named 2024 chair-elect

Advocate Health's Medical Group President of the Midwest Region and Chief Medical Group Officer, Dr. Jeff Bahr was named chair-elect for 2024 at the Oct. 26 WHA Board of Directors meeting in Madison. Dr. Bahr joined the WHA board in 2018 and serves as a member of the Nominating and Awards Committee and the Essential Procedures Workgroup.

Dr. Bahr leads the 3,800 physicians and 2,200 advanced practice clinicians employed by Advocate Health Care in Illinois and Aurora Health Care in Wisconsin. Having previously overseen the integration of two large medical groups within Advocate Aurora Health, he currently oversees medical group operations, clinical service lines, workforce planning, clinician recruitment, clinical quality and programming, as well as patient access. He is currently chair of the Board of Directors for the Advocate Aurora Research Institute and has previously led system academics in Wisconsin and Illinois.

Dr. Bahr joined Aurora Health Care in 2002 and previously served as vice president – primary care, leading Aurora Health Care's Primary Care Service Line. In that role, he led initiatives in clinical quality, patient experience, growth, care redesign, and workforce planning for internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics and urgent care. He assisted in developing and implementing tactics within the Primary Care Redesign initiative that fostered growth and efficiency in the practices of over 900 primary care physicians and advanced practice clinicians.

In addition to serving on the WHA board, he also chairs the board of Open Arms Free Clinic in Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

Dr. Bahr is board certified in general internal medicine and maintains a primary care practice. Prior to establishing his practice in 2002, he served as chief resident and instructor of medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee where he completed his internship and residency.

Dr. Bahr earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin and received his bachelor's degree from Marquette University. He was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha in 2001 and is a fellow of the American College of Physicians.

Election of At-Large Directors

The following individuals were elected as At-Large Directors:

New At-Large Directors, to serve three-year terms beginning Jan. 1, 2024:

- Sue Anderson, Regional President, SSM Health - Wisconsin
- Chris Brabant, President/CEO, HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospitals
- Mike Dolan, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Bellin Gundersen Health System
- Brad Groseth, President/CEO, Marshfield Medical Center - Ladysmith, Rice Lake, Eau Claire
- Paul Horvath, MD, Chair/NW Wisconsin Emergency Medicine, Mayo Clinic Health System
- Carrie Killoran, President, Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center
- Gordy Lewis, CEO, Burnett Medical Center
- Kristin McManmon, CEO, Ascension All Saints & Franklin Campus



Jeff Bahr, MD



*L to R - top row: Sue Anderson, Chris Brabant, Mike Dolan, Brad Groseth.
L to R - bottom row: Paul Horvath, Carrie Killoran, Gordy Lewis, Kristin McManmon*

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