

29TH DELAWARE HEALTHCARE FORUM: *BOLD LEADERSHIP IN A STORM*

WEDNESDAY | DEC. 10, 2025 | 8 AM - 4 PM

2025 AGENDA

8:00 AM

BREAKFAST, REGISTRATION & SPONSOR EXPO

9:00 AM

WELCOME

Brian Frazee, President & CEO | Delaware Healthcare Association

9:15 AM

VIDEO MESSAGE: GOVERNOR MATT MEYER

9:30 AM

FIRESIDE CHAT: INTRODUCING DELAWARE'S HEALTH SECRETARY CHRISTEN LINKE YOUNG

Learn about our DHSS' Secretary's vision for health in the First State.

10:15 AM

COFFEE NETWORKING BREAK & SPONSOR EXPO

10:30 AM

CALL TO ACTION: FIRST STATE HEALTH LEADERS ALLIANCE PANEL

Healthcare is facing unprecedented times. Learn how local leaders are navigating and advocating for federal and state policy.

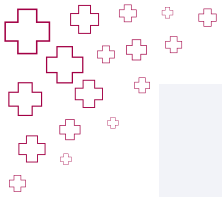
Moderator: Brian Frazee, President & CEO, Delaware Healthcare Association

Panelists:

- **Theresa Edelstein**, MPH, LNHA, Regulatory Consultant, LeadingAge, New Jersey & Delaware
- **Sue Getman**, Executive Director, Delaware Association for Home & Community Care
- **Cheryl Heiks**, Executive Director, Delaware Health Care Facilities Association
- **Carolyn Petrak**, MPA, Executive Director, Ability Network of Delaware
- **Kate Smith**, Executive Director, Delaware Academy of Medicine and Public Health
- **Mark Thompson**, MHSA, MSD, Executive Director, Medical Society of Delaware

11:30 AM

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**DHA AWARDS PRESENTATION: 2025
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12:10 PM

NETWORKING LUNCH & SPONSOR EXPO

1:15 PM

**KEYNOTE: INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED
GENERATIONAL EXPERT PHIL GWOKE**

*Learn about **Collaborative Empowerment** in the workplace, improving connection and belonging across organizations.*

2:15 PM

NETWORKING BREAK

2:30 PM

**ACHE PANEL: INNOVATION AND THE
CHANGING FACE OF HEALTHCARE DELIVERY**

Moderator: Mary Elizabeth “Liz” Deleener, MBA, RN FACHE, Associate Chief Operating Officer, The Clinical Practices of the University of Pennsylvania

Panelists:

- **Jonathan Kaufmann**, D.O., Chief Health Information Officer, Bayhealth Medical Center
- **Christine Keithly**, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, Vice President Patient Care Services, Associate Chief Nursing Officer, Bayhealth
- **Sean Cosgrove**, FACHE, Market Vice President – Northeast Markets, Devoted Health
- **Gemma Lowery**, MBA, CATC, FACHDM, CVH Technology Manager of Digital Solutions, ChristianaCare’s Center for Virtual Health

4:00 PM

CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT

