

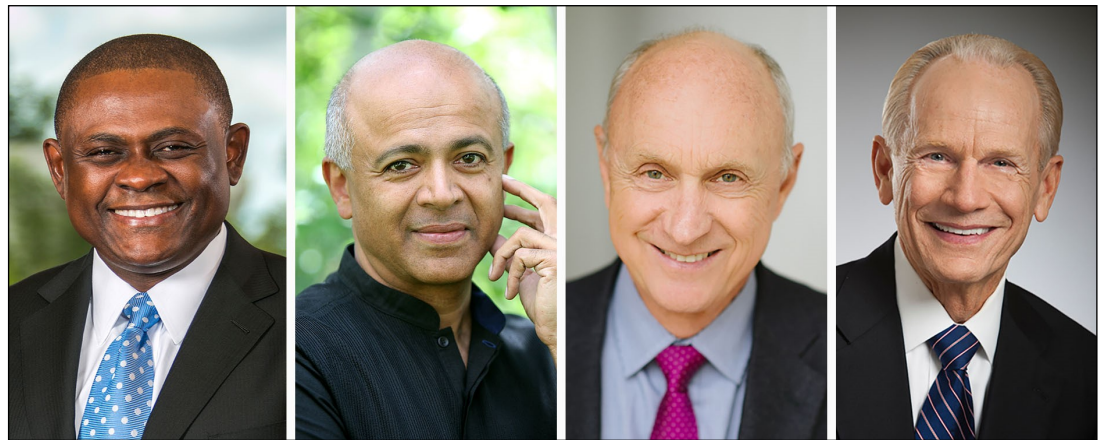


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‘Concussion’ Doctor Headlines Annual Meeting’s Speaker List



Dr. Bennet Omalu (from left), Dr. Abraham Verghese, Jeff Goldsmith and C. Duane Dauner are confirmed as April general session speakers in Santa Barbara.

Dr. Bennet Omalu, whose work documenting brain-wasting illness in NFL players earned attention in the 2015 film “Concussion,” tops the list of speakers for HASC’s 2017 Annual Meeting in Santa Barbara this April.

The meeting’s theme is *Rx for Success: Focus on the Patient*. The event will spotlight health care’s ongoing transformation from fee-for-service to population-based reimbursement.

As a county medical examiner in Pittsburgh, Pa., Omalu pushed past widespread resistance to his theory that repeated blows to the head can induce chronic traumatic encephalopathy – a dementia-like syndrome that can strike down player-veterans by their mid 50s. In 2011, he also published a paper documenting the illness in military veterans.

Omalu is chief medical examiner for San

Joaquin County. He resides in Lodi with his wife and two children.

Dr. Abraham Verghese, whose writing about HIV patients in rural Tennessee earned widespread notice in 1994, is an advocate for bedside medicine in an age where technology often grabs the headlines. Also on April’s speaker list, he is a professor of medicine at Stanford University who has published a series of bestselling books.

Speaker Jeff Goldsmith draws on his years as a health-field educator at the University of Virginia and other institutions to peer into the future of health care. While a widely-accepted picture of the future has emerged, Goldsmith examines what might be missing, and explores missing pieces that may prove crucial for clinicians and manag-

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Abbate, Long-Serving HASC VP, Passes

Anthony Abbate, who served HASC as regional vice president for Los Angeles County for many years, passed away on Oct. 4. He was 77.

Abbate put his stamp on Southern California's health care landscape over a multi-decade career. Starting at City of Hope in Duarte, he went on to serve as administrator at St. Mary Medical Center in Long Beach before assuming the regional vice president role at HASC.

His legacy includes the establishment of multiple trauma centers across Southern California.

Abbate also served as a regent of the American College of Healthcare Execu-



Anthony Abbate

tives and as a board member at several area hospitals – including Saddleback Memorial Medical Center in Laguna Hills.

At his HASC retirement party in 2003, Abbate received a proclamation from the City of Los Angeles noting his service to the region's health care community.

A service celebrating Abbate's life is planned for 11:15 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 13 at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 2140 W. Ontario Ave., in Corona.

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Onsite Option Creates Local LEAD Academies

HASC's onsite customized academy creates a specialized version of its popular LEAD Academy to address hospitals' specific needs. With the program, facilities and systems have complete control, including the following options:

- One group or multiple groups (to help with multi-shift operations)
- Half-day sessions, full-day sessions or multi-day sessions
- Which topics to deliver and in which sequence
- Rapidly completing the training, or spreading it out over weeks or months

The onsite academy is tailored to address specific areas of leadership performance that are important to individual facilities. Prior to the start of the program, program facilitator meets with senior executives to understand and identify leadership development needs. The information gathered from these discussions is used to emphasize key points in the ensuing LEAD Academy.

Participating hospitals or systems designate an onsite coordinator who handle the logistics of the academy, including room set-up and audio-visual, distributing

materials, assisting facilitators, sign-in sheets, and coordinating meals.

HASC provides the onsite coordinator with the printed session materials, personalized binders, post evaluation forms, sign-in sheets, supplemental handouts and any other information needed prior to the start of each session.

Please contact Karen Ochoa to learn more about the onsite academy.

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Dec. 14 Tribute Dinner Supports Program Fund

Members are invited to a Tribute Dinner honoring outgoing president and CEO Jim Barber on Wednesday, Dec. 14.

The dinner underwrites the HASC/NHF Administrative Fellowship Program Fund.



Jim Barber

The event will take place at 6 p.m. on Dec. 14 at The Langham Huntington in Pasadena.

To support the dinner as a sponsor or attendee, please visit www.hasc.org/special-event/jim-barber-tribute-dinner.

The sponsorship deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 1.

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Work Remains to Meet CHPAC Goal

The HASC region is halfway to its annual fundraising goal of \$357,200 for the California Hospital Association Political Action Committee. A significant push remains to meet the goal before the Dec. 31 contribution deadline, however.

“The majority of hospital-based campaigns achieve their goal during the fourth quarter,” said Jennifer Bayer, HASC Vice President for External Affairs. “If you have not already appointed a campaign coordinator, please do, and jump start your campaign today!”

Hospitals can also reach goals by referring hospital vendors that share values in ensuring a healthy business climate for hospitals. Contributions from new and renewing corporate partners are credited to each hospital's annual goal. Contributions may be made online at www.calhospital.org/political-action-committee.

The latest donor survey notes contributions from the following hospitals:

Los Angeles Central Area

California Hospital Medical Center, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, East Los Angeles Doctors Hospital, Gateways Hospital & Mental Health Center, Glendale Adventist Medical Center, Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center, Kaiser Permanente Los Angeles Medical Center, Los Angeles Community Hospital at Los Angeles, Pacific Alliance Medical Center and White Memorial Medical Center/Adventist Health.

Coast Area

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente West, Los Angeles Medi-

cal Center and Torrance Memorial Medical Center.

Harbor Area

Coast Plaza Hospital, Community Hospital of Long Beach, Community Hospital of Huntington Park, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente South Bay Medical Center, Long Beach Memorial Medical Center, Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach and PIH Health Hospital-Downey.



Northwest Area

Encino Hospital Medical Center, Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital, Kaiser Permanente Panorama City Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente Woodland Hills Medical Center, Palmdale Regional Medical Center, Providence Holy Cross Medical Center, Providence St. Joseph Medical Center, Valley Presbyterian Hospital and West Hills Hospital & Medical Center.

San Gabriel Area

Foothill Presbyterian Hospital, Kaiser Permanente Baldwin Park Medical Center, Methodist Hospital of Southern California, Monterey Park Hospital, PIH Health Hospital-Whittier, Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center and San Gabriel Valley Medical Center.

Inland Area

Ballard Rehabilitation Hospital, Hemet Valley Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente Fontana Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente Moreno Valley Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente Riverside Medical Center, Menifee Valley Medical Center, Rancho Springs Medical Center, Redlands Community Hospital, Riverside Community Hospital, San Antonio Community Hospital, San Geronimo Memorial Hospital and St. Mary Medical Center.

Orange County Area

Children's Hospital of Orange County, CHOC Children's at Mission Hospital, Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian, Kaiser Permanente Orange County-Anaheim Medical Center, Mission Hospital Mission Viejo, Orange Coast Memorial Medical Center, Orange County Global Medical Center, Saddleback Memorial Medical Center, St. Joseph Hospital-Orange, St. Jude Medical Center and UC Irvine Health.

Santa Barbara/Ventura Area

Aurora Vista Del Mar Hospital, Community Memorial Hospital, Goleta Valley Cottage Hospital, Lompoc Valley Medical Center, Los Robles Hospital Medical Center, Ojai Valley Community Hospital, Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital and Simi Valley Hospital/Adventist Health.

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ers alike.

C. Duane Dauner rounds out the list of April's general session speakers.

CHA's president and CEO since 1985, he needs no introduction to members. Dauner has represented the interests of California hospitals in Sacramento for more than three decades and is renowned for his

ability to relate complex issues in a readily-digestible form.

HASC's annual meeting returns to the Bacara Resort & Spa this April 5 through 7. Sponsorship opportunities are now available. An early-bird registration rate is in effect for hospital members through Feb. 6.

To learn more about the annual meeting, and to register, please visit

www.hasc.org/annual-meeting.

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Sponsors Get Nod Before 'Hero' Event

National Health Foundation's 11th Annual Hospital Hero Awards luncheon takes place on Friday, Nov. 4 at Skirball Cultural Center in Los Angeles.

A range of Hospital Hero nominees from HASC member hospitals will be recognized and four winners will be chosen.

Each nominee's story highlights the level of achievement that occurs in hospitals each and every day. The awards focus on

outstanding direct-patient care above and beyond the call of duty.

NHF expresses its gratitude to sponsors, which

include the following:

Guardian Level

Cedars-Sinai, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, De-

sert Valley Hospital and Providence Health & Services.

Protector Level

California Hospital Medical Center, Cottage Health, Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital and White Memorial Medical Center.

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Golf Classic Tees Off Monday, Nov. 14

The HASC Charity Golf Classic at Rancho Cucamonga's Red Hill Country Club will take place on Monday, Nov. 14. Funds raised at the tournament benefit National Health Foundation's work supporting underserved communities. To date, the autumn event has contributed more than \$600,000



towards the foundation's mission.

Participants will experience Red Hill Country

Club's 1920s-era course.

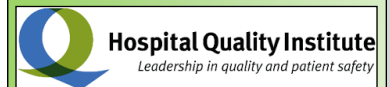
[Click here](#) to register as a golfer. To register as a sponsor, please [click here](#). Sponsors are urged to enroll by Friday, Oct. 14.

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Nov. 2-4 Is HQI San Diego Conference

Hospital Quality Institute (HQI) aims to help professionals achieve new levels of performance at its 2016 annual conference this Nov. 2 through 4 in San Diego. HASC members are invited to attend, joining fellow health care personnel from across the state.



This year's HQI meeting includes addresses by Joe Kiani of the Patient Safety Movement Foundation and Ian Morrison, an internationally-known author, consultant and futurist.

The conference, themed *Respect, Reliability, Resilience*, convenes at the Hilton San Diego Resort & Spa.

For complete event information, please [click here](#).

A registration link is [available here](#).

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