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## Save on Physician Leadership Program—Register by June 15

The California Physician Leadership Program, beginning Sept. 18, successfully brings together physician leaders throughout the state to collaborate on issues facing the future of health care. Tuition is \$13,500 for individuals registering by June 15; rates increase to \$15,000 after this date.

Due to the success of the inaugural program this past year, CHA and the regional associations are pleased to offer a second interactive training course designed to help California physicians navigate the increasingly complex health care landscape. The program brings together the University of Southern California's top rated Marshall School of Business faculty, in partnership with all four California hospital associations and health policy experts, to deliver curriculum in effective leadership strategies. Hear firsthand how this course has helped physicians to strengthen their leadership acumen: go to <u>http://www.calhospital.org/CPLP-Video-</u><u>Testimonies-HASC</u>. Register online at <u>http://</u><u>www.calhospital.org/physician-leadership-</u><u>program</u>.

Continuing medical education credits will be provided by the USC Keck School of Medicine. Physicians can earn up to 105 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits<sup>™</sup>. The program runs Sept. 18, 2015 – April 23, 2016 and is delivered two days per month on a Friday and Saturday. This exclusive program is limited to 40 participants and is open to all California physicians and medical executives. All sessions take place on or near the USC campus.

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### First Cohort Graduates from Advanced LEAD Academy



Congratulations to the graduates of Advanced LEAD Academy, which launched on March 19 of this year. This three-session, six-module training experience exposes leaders to more advanced skills. Watch for Fall 2016 dates to be announced soon.

### Congratulations, HASC Annual Meeting Golf and Tennis Winners

Congratulations to the following winners from the 2015 HASC Annual Meeting:

#### Golf

Long Drive Men – Trahan Whitten, Toyon Associates Long Drive Women – Shelly Cohen (guest of Phil Cohen, AHMC Healthcare)

Closest to the Pin – Darryl Green, Merritt Hawkins and Staff Care; Ken Rivers; Bob Minken, The Camden Group; and Charles McLaurin, Time Warner Cable Business Class

#### Cactus Wren Flight

*First Place Team* – Andrew Sahli, Time Warner Cable Business Class; Dimitrios Alexiou, Hospital Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties; Bob Minken *Second Place Team* – Larry Jackson, Long Beach Memorial Medical Center; Sean Collins, Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc.; Larry Pugh, Beverly Hospital; and Shaun Ayvazi, EMCOR / Mesa Energy Systems

#### Cardinal Flight

*First Place Team* – Sean Fowler, Marina del Rey Hospital; Trahan Whitten; Mark Gamble, HASC; and Brian Stevens, HASC Second Place Team – Mike Smith, St. Jospeh's Behavioral Health Center/Dignity Health; John Besler, Besler Consulting; Tom Mone, OneLegacy; and Curt Bowe, Sodexo

#### Road Runner Flight

*First Place Team* – Ryan Sader, Toyon Associates; Mike Denney, CBRE; and Marty Gallegos, HASC *Second Place Team* – Rick Rowe, Avanti Hospitals/Coastal Plaza Hospital; Paul Celuch, Avanti Hospitals; Anne Grey, OneLegacy Foundation

#### Tennis

*First Place: Men* – Billy Lambon, MDS Consulting *First Place: Women* – Sonoma van Brunt-Leyhe (guest of William Leyhe, The Peirna Group)

Save the date for next year's annual meeting, April 13-15, 2016, at St. Regis Monarch Beach Resort in Dana Point.

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## Safe Patient Handling: Help Available from HASC Business Partner Atlas Lift Tech

The biggest cause of injuries to health care workers, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, is repeated manual patient handling activities, including heavy manual lifting associated with transferring and repositioning patients.

Additionally, according to the paper *A New Model for Successful Safe Patient Handling Programs*, presented at the 5th International Conference on Applied Human Factors and Ergonomics in July 2014, hospitals are among the most dangerous work environments in the United States, and hospitals are making patients out of their workforce.

Workers' compensation claims associated with nursing have been estimated to be \$7.4 billion within the United States annually. At the same time, *AB 1136: Hospital Patient and Health Care Worker Injury Protection Act, Safe Patient Handling*, requires all general acute care hospitals in California to include in their Injury and Illness Prevention Program a patient protection and health care worker back and musculoskeletal injury prevention plan that includes a safe patient handling policy. Hospitals must also maintain a safe handling policy for all patient care units, including lift teams or other trained support staff, and training.

A case study at Stanford Hospital & Clinics, a 650-bed Level 1 Trauma Center, examined its Pilot Safe Patient Handling Lift Coach Program implemented from April to August 2013, using Atlas Lift Tech. To initiate the program, Atlas came to the hospital to talk with staff, administration and the nurse manager for SPHM, and performed a comprehensive review the workers compensation data.

During the pilot program, only 4 percent of April - August 2013 costs related to patient handling occurred in the Lift Coach units during hours of service. Additionally, less than 1 percent of April - August 2013 of Lost & Restricted Work Days related to patient handling occurred in the Lift Coach units during hours of service.

The team from Atlas Lift Tech, a HASC business partner, combines clinical and operational experience to build effective, low-cost Safe Patient Handling and Movement (SPHM) programs and solutions for hospitals. The three-pronged approach with staffing, equipment and training results in an immediate positive impact on caregiver injuries and workers' compensation expense.

More information on Safe Patient Handling is available online via the following webcast, *Building the Business Case, The Risk Authority,* from Stanford Hospital & Clinics: <u>https://</u> www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ag9TBFjYJeI.

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