

## **Board Informational Report**

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CEO

As I shared last month, we continue to wait for state licensure to come to finish the final licensure of our new Joseph Family Center for Women and Newborn Care. Progress is being made. There are sign off coordination efforts with a portion of the kitchen remodel and the new OB unit that are underway. Hopefully this will be the last CEO report noting that we are still waiting for licensure inspection and approval. Again, opening new units is a lower priority for the state as it prioritizes its work load.

During the past few weeks our health system has undergone its triennial accreditation visits and the outcome was great. Tahoe Forest Hospital was visited, Incline Village Community Hospital was visited and our Home Health program all did really well in these accreditation visits.

Last week covered National Nurses Week and National Hospital Week and we're grateful for the Board acknowledging these team members last month. We had some great activities to honor our high quality nursing team and a barbeque for the entire healthcare team mid-week! We really appreciate what this healthcare team does 24/7!

Matt Mushet, our new In-house Counsel joined us in early May. We are happy to have skilled healthcare counsel available in-house.

Also we have named Alex MacLennan to the permanent Chief Human Resources Officer position this past Friday. He had been filling this position as an interim since Jayne left in February.

We are actively working on the documents to bring Tahoe Forest Medical Group to life by August of this year. This is our new friendly professional corporation that we will believe will greatly aid in retention and in recruitment of medical staff.

We will celebrate an Open House over at Incline Village Community Hospital this week as we thank the community for their support of a beautiful remodeled Health Center on the second floor there. We have another very important Incline event in late June as well!

We look forward to a fun "Best of Tahoe Chefs" event this Sunday and the opportunity to connect with our communities as well!

The level of challenge increases as each week goes by relative to the very focused efforts of our entire team for the EPIC EMR conversion and related business software that is targeted to go live by 11/1/17.

Our Master Planning efforts are maturing and we plan on having several periodic reports with the Board during this fiscal year and the following years.

Now that Repeal and Replace has happened in the House of Representatives, we'll watch and see if consensus and traction is found in the Senate as well. Our team is continuing to be proactive on advising federal and state officials on what works or doesn't work in healthcare if new sustainable policy changes are desired at the state or federal level. A lot more to come on this.

Ted Owens and I will be visiting Washington D.C. next week and will return just prior to the Board meeting.