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## **Buttell Appointed KCMHC President**

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*KANSAS CITY* — Phil Buttell, President and CEO of Menorah Medical Center, was appointed a one-year term as president of the Kansas City Metropolitan Healthcare Council, the regional office of the Kansas and Missouri Hospital Associations. His term began Jan. 1.

"It is truly an honor to lead the efforts of the Kansas City Metropolitan Healthcare Council as we position the greater Kansas City region as a premier destination for quality, compassionate health care services," says Phil Buttell, Menorah Medical Center Chief Operating Officer. "I am thrilled to collaborate with bi-state hospital leaders and colleagues to support the healthcare industry and collaborate on best practices."

As KCMHC President, Buttell's responsibilities include presiding over council meetings and guiding discussions on association policies and activities. He will direct input from council members on national, bi-state and regional health care policies to the KHA and MHA Boards of Trustees.

"The value both state associations receive from the council's feedback is important in helping shape both states' agendas at the state and federal level" said Chad Austin, KHA President and CEO.

Before joining Menorah Medical Center in 2019, Buttell served since 2009 as the Chief Operating Officer for Centerpoint Medical Center. Buttell has played an instrumental role in the operations, growth and development of both hospitals.

As Jon Doolittle, MHA President and CEO states, "Phil's experience and perspective make him a great fit for this bi-state leadership role."

The council includes leaders from 50 hospitals throughout the Kansas City Metropolitan Area.

The Kansas Hospital Association is a voluntary, non-profit organization existing to be the leading advocate and resource for members. KHA membership includes 237 member facilities, of which 123 are full-service, community hospitals. Founded in 1910, KHA's vision is Optimal Health for Kansans.

The Missouri Hospital Association is a not-for-profit association in Jefferson City that represents 140 Missouri hospitals. In addition to representation and advocacy on behalf of its membership, the association offers continuing education programs on current health care topics and seeks to educate the public about health care issues.

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