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Annual Convention of Kansas Hospitals This Week

(Sept. 05, 2023) – The KHA Annual Convention and Trade Show will be Sept. 7-8, at the Hyatt Regency Wichita and Century II Convention Center in Wichita. The convention is the pinnacle of the association’s education events. More than 1,000 hospital and health care leaders are registered to attend.

The KHA Convention will kick off on Thursday morning with the KHA political advocacy and grassroots breakfast. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Jake Sherman and gain insight on what is happening in Washington, D.C. KHA also will award our Distinguished Health Care Advocate, Ed Klumpp, legislative law enforcement liaison. This award recognizes individuals who work on behalf of Kansas hospitals by providing exemplary contributions to the health and well-being of Kansans through their leadership in public, political or policy areas.

The keynote speaker will be Sebastian Terry who will discuss the importance of integrating passion into personal and professional goals as a way to build resilience, optimism and motivation in the workplace and at home. Ken Hughes will examine the social, cultural and cyber behavioral forces pressing on humanity and how changes in consumer expectations have forever changed the game. Attendees will round out Thursday with Joe Mull who will share a simple yet powerful framework for turning organizations into destination workplaces that meet the needs and values of a changed workforce.

On Friday, Caroline DeLongchamps will share a personal story and how this experience led her to see the value of partnering with patients and families to ensure better outcomes. To wrap up the event, Judy Carter will remind attendees that laughter is the best medicine.

In addition to these excellent speakers, KHA will honor additional awardees at the KHA Awards Luncheon, provide ample opportunities for hospitals to visit with the nearly 200 health care exhibitors at the trade show.

The Kansas Hospital Association is a voluntary, non-profit organization existing to be the leading advocate and resource for members. KHA membership includes 239 member facilities, of which 123 are full-service, community hospitals. Founded in 1910, KHA's vision is Optimal Health for Kansans.

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