

The Presidents Message

If you love what you do, you never work a day in your life. I don't recall when I heard this but this statement has stuck with me since my early practice days back in the 80's. This is what I think makes the Health Care Council so unique from the other councils. Those of us in healthcare have a passion for this business and it's this passion I want the HCC leadership to fuel by creating a HCC that delivers as much knowledge, education, and advice as possible to make you the best at what you do.

While the Newsletter has been in hibernation for the past year the HCC's leaders have been very active in preparing for many activities and education events for the remainder of 2006 and into 2007 that I want to share with you.

But first let's see how much you really know about IFMA and your Health Care Council. Did you know?

- There are 15 councils.
- The Health Care Council is the 7th largest council with nearly 500 members.
- Over the past three years our council has grown by 66%.
- More than 60% of our membership are facility managers working for providers.
- No other health care council membership group makes up more than 19% of our total membership.
- Our members include Academic Medical Centers, Health Systems, Community Hospitals, Public Hospitals, Psychiatric Hospitals, Cancer Centers, Children's Hospitals, Rehabilitation Hospitals, Assisted Living Facilities, Skilled Nursing Facilities, & a variety of Ambulatory Care Facilities, Outpatient Facilities, & Medical Office Buildings.
- From coast to coast some of members include Harvard University, University of Chicago, Advocate Health Care, Erickson Retirement Communities, Kaiser Permanente, Boston Medical Center, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, American Baptist Homes of the West, The Salk Institute and The Betty Ford Center.

I want to share with all of you some of the events and initiatives that it is our hope will provide an opportunity for each of you to gain new information, network with a peer or tour a state-of-the-art healthcare facility.

WWP 06 is just completed with the HCC sponsoring the presentation "Trends in Critical Care Environment Planning". If you were not able to attend WWP 06 in San Diego you can visit the HCC web site at www.ifma-hc.org and under the resource tab you can view the PowerPoint presentation.

Announced at the HCC meeting at WWP 06 is the upcoming joint research effort with CHER (Coalition of Health Environments Research) survey to be released in the spring of 2007. This survey is designed around the 100 Critical Issues in Healthcare Environments.

Healthcare Design 06 November 4 - 7 in Chicago will feature the HCC hosting two round table discussion groups on Evidence Based Design (see the calendar section of this newsletter for more details). On the heels of the Monday afternoon session the HCC will host a reception at the Nurture by Steelcase Showroom at the Mart. Come by and share a drink with other HCC members before heading out into the Loop for dinner.

ASHE PDC 2007 February 25 - 28 in San Antonio, TX the HCC will sponsor a presentation on Clinical Operations Impact on Design.

Something new in 2007 will be IFMA's Industries Forum May 2 - 4 in Atlanta, GA. The Industries Forum will be hosted jointly by ten councils. Papers are currently being reviewed for presentations and tours at Emory University are in early preparation stages.

In the works;

- 2007 Healthcare Educational series with Corporate Realty Design & Management Institute across the U.S. in
- 12 cities bringing more educational opportunities to our members regionally and locally.
- Developing our membership database searchable by provider, professional services, consultants, & builders providing a quick way to find other providers in similar facilities for targeted best practice questions or to ask questions of consultants or builders about an issue affecting your facility.

Partnering with CHER (Coalition of Health Environments Research) for a joint research program with our membership regarding the 100 Critical Issues in Healthcare Environments.

Please visit our web site frequently to keep up with the status of all of the events listed above, posting of articles previously published in FacilityCare Magazine and a data base collection with search engine of all questions and answers through the HCC ListServer for the past 5 years.

The HCC has a contract relationship with FacilityCare Magazine to provide eight articles a year so we are always looking for white papers from our members. This is a great way to share educational articles with other HCC members and a nice way to get your name and your hospital's name published. These articles also qualify for FM's to gain CES points. Visit the HCC web site for article guidelines and deadlines throughout the year.

As the HCC continues to grow the officer's encourage and look for more HCC members to get involved with us taking on a chair position in support of one of several officer lead initiatives. This is a great way to keep up with what is being planned and have a say in what you would like see happen with your HCC. As a volunteer group of professionals the officer's and chairs must find time to take on new initiatives and keep established agendas advancing to grow and inspire the council to reach its next level of success and transition its leadership team.

As always do not hesitate to call me or email me to discuss your interest in getting more involved with the council or just to let me know about a good idea for the council. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible throughout the remainder of 2006 and into 2007.

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"A wise man should consider that health is the greatest of human blessings, and learn how by his own thought to derive benefit from his illnesses. "

Hippocrates, *Regimen in Health*
Greek physician (460 BC - 377 BC)

On November 6, the Health Care Council is pleased to be hosting a networking party in Nurture by Steelcase's showroom in Chicago's Merchandise Mart. The party is in association with the Health Care Design 06 conference, but whether you're coming to the conference or not, if you're in Chicago please stop by. For more information please contact me at ...

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Jennifer Coble
Health Care Council

The Health Care Council enjoyed a few opportunities to learn and share with colleagues at World Work Place 06. Sunday morning October 8, the council members gathered for an update of council activities and initiatives. On Tuesday, WWP attendees had the opportunity to hear Council Chair Constance Nestor of Advocate Health Care speak on "Trends in Critical Care Environment Planning".



Health Care Council members enjoy Sunday morning breakfast together and an update on council activities from Vice President of Programs, Glenn Fischer



We also launched the use of our new Health Care Council stickers on our badges! At every Health Care Conference with a Council Officer in attendance, we will use the stickers to promote the council and identify members.

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For a complete list of council leadership, see our website at www.ifma-hc.org/officers.htm.

Calendar of Events

As a service to our members, we've compiled a list of upcoming Health Care Industry events. The calendar is also regularly updated on our website. If you are aware of an event that you would like shared with members and posted on the website, please contact Jennifer Coble at Jennifer.coble@gmail.com.

2006

November 4-7

Healthcare Design 06

www.healthcaredesignmagazine.com/Conference.htm

Chicago, IL

Roundtable led by Constance Nestor of Advocate Healthcare, "Evidence Based Design – What design and planning elements are contributing revenue to the bottom line?"

Two sessions: Sunday, November 5, 1:00-2:30 and Monday, November 6, 4:15-5:15

Join the Health Care Council for a party in Nurture by Steelcase's showroom!

Come to Suite 11-100 to meet the Health Care Council, enjoy a drink and an appetizer and tour the Nurture showroom.

2007

May 2-4

Health Care Council Spring Meeting at IFMA's Industries Forum

Atlanta, GA

June 19-21

Integrate 2007 Facility Management Conference

Hong Kong

<http://www.ifma.org.hk/integrate2007>

June 26-27

European Facility Management Conference

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology

Zurich, Switzerland

www.efmc2007.com

October 24-26

IFMA's World Workplace

New Orleans, LA

Health Care Council Resources

The Health Care Council's website is constantly being improved. We have a new look and updated content! Visit the site at www.ifma-hc.org to see what's changed. Recent changes include:

- **An expanded Officers section** – we've recently added new positions to our leadership team to serve you better. Feel free to contact any officer or chairperson with questions or suggestions. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help the council, contact President Gary Collins to see where you can make a difference.
- **Council newsletters** dating back to 2002
- **Calendar** – includes health care industry events of interest to Facility Managers. If you are aware of an event that should also be listed, please contact Interim Secretary Jennifer Coble.
- **Industry Links** – As a resource to our members, the website provides relevant industry links for Health Care FMs. If there's a link that you find useful and think other members would to, please share it with us.
- **Learning** – View past learning opportunities presented and sponsored by the council

Do you want to communicate with other members of the council?

Submit items to the council's listserv by e-mailing it to hcc@listserver.ifma.org.

Call for Pictures

Have you recently completed a major capital project in one of your facilities? Completed a renovation that is an extreme makeover? Are you the facility manager that juggled construction with daily operations or the architect or construction manager that made it happen? We want to know about your capital improvement projects and accomplishments. Please send us photos of your recently completed projects and we will use your photos (with proper credits) to promote the council. Photos will be used on our website, in upcoming newsletters and in presentations about the Health Care Council. Submit photos to Jennifer Coble at Jennifer.coble@gmail.com

ARE YOU CURIOUS IF A QUESTION HAS ALREADY BEEN ASKED ON THE LISTSERV? SEARCH THE HEALTH CARE COUNCIL'S LISTSERV ARCHIVES.

1. Go to <http://listserver.ifma.org/lists>
2. Click on the link "Subscriber's Corner"
3. Click on the phrase "Get a **new** listserv password"
4. Enter your e-mail address that is registered with IFMA headquarters and select a password that you can easily remember.
5. Register this password
6. Check your e-mail for your confirmation message
7. Click on the link in the e-mail given
8. Click on Subscriber's Corner and then log in using your registered e-mail and password.
9. Click on the link given.
Click on Server Archives on the left of the page, then select your council for your council's archives.

This registration is a "one time only" process. After you register you can just visit <http://listserver.ifma.org/archives/> and the site should recognize you so that you won't have to enter your information again, you can immediately visit the archives area.

Call for Articles

The HCC holds a contract with *FacilityCare* magazine to provide six articles per year to be published in *FacilityCare* magazine and sent out at strategic times in advance of ASHE/PDC, NeoCon, ASHE, AIA/AAH, and IFMA WWP. Guidelines for submitting an article and examples of past articles can be found on the HCC website www.ifma-hc.org under Council Resources.

Articles are written by other facility managers, architects, engineers, consultants, vendors in the health care field and provide insight and practical information to assist and inform other HCC members on trends, practices, systems, and procedures to help you do your job better or just keep you informed. If you are interested in submitting an article please contact Gary Collins, HCC President at 312-622-3732 or e-mail him at gary.collins@anshen.com.

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