



MINUTES OF MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

July 11, 2018

HCANJ Executive Offices, Hamilton, NJ

The meeting was convened at 1:18 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes of the June 13, 2018 Business Meeting minutes.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Associate memberships of:

- **NOVAtime Technology, Inc.**, Cucamonga, CA 91730 - Computers/Technology & Related
- **HPSI Purchasing Services, LLC**, Irvine, CA 92618 - Group Purchasing
- **Senior Care Therapy**, Passaic, NJ 07055 - Health Care Facilities/Mental Health Svcs.
- **H&R Healthcare**, Lakewood, NJ 08701 - Medical/Surgical/Business/Ancillary Equipment, Supplies or Svcs.
- **Global Arena, LLC**, Phila., PA 19110 - Medical/Surgical/Business/Ancillary Equipment, Supplies or Svcs.
- **Grove Menus**, Kearney, MO 64060 - Food/Beverage
- **Geoscape Solar**, Florham Park, NJ 07932 - Energy/Environmental

Clinical – It is the responsibility of the community to have water cleaning system to prevent Legionella. As of July 18 all staff are to be included in PBJ. Contract and inhouse staff are counted differently. See Healthcare Beacon for further information. The Quality/ Best Practice Committee is working on toolkit for hiring and retaining staff. A CNA survey is going out tomorrow to help with this toolkit. There will be a luncheon for CNAs on Sept. 21. Each building may send two. Space is limited. First come, first served. CNAs don't get to get out for education and networking. There will be an hour-long education session on person-centered care followed by lunch. Please contribute a \$100 cash gift card to be used as prizes for the CNAs. There was a question posed regarding CNA reciprocity. We are still waiting for an answer from DOH.

Education - Vendor registration has opened, and contracts are coming in quickly. Facility registration will open in late summer. A new course has been planned for Tuesday, August 21 - "What Everyone Should Know About the New Survey Process, Phase 3 Ethics and Compliance, and the MDS' Impact on Reimbursement" at the Hilton Garden Inn. Six LNHA CEUs will be offered. A maximum of 100 people can be accepted. Six facilities have registered to attend the Gold Award Workshop.

Reimbursement - PDPM is projected to come in 2019. AHCA presented 145 pages of comments. There will be a PDPM webinar hosted by AHCA on July 16. Information will be sent to members. The first quarterly meeting with the Medicaid director took place. There will be a rate adjustment in October for the provider tax add-on. There will be another small increase. Last year it took two to three months to see rate increases. The Medicaid director was asked to get rate notices out ASAP. State released FAQs in March.

A discussion took place regarding erroneous information coming from the Boards of Social Services about the responsibilities of families while Medicaid determination is pending. The president will contact the Deputy Medicaid Director regarding cost share and mishandling of funds by families. Facilities should be billing from Day One. Families who are taking residents' social security are committing felony theft.

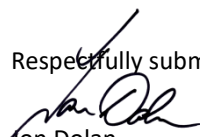
Budget – We had hoped for \$24 million but got \$21 million. It was still the largest increase of any other interest group. We didn't get the budget language for a rate study although it was hard fought. The Assembly Majority Leader made a commitment to get a rate study bill moving. Assisted Living received a \$2 increase ppd. One of reasons the budget went through was because of corporate business tax increase.

A key leaders update went out. The president commented that any member can request to receive them. He continued that members should pay close attention on PBJ and report correctly and that we will continue our work to address the issues that are still out there.

There was a presentation on Health Information Exchange (HIE) Onboarding Expansion by Angela Brown and Michele Markey of the NJ Innovation Institute. Enable hospital providers and non-hospital providers transitions of care data. Grant funding to connect facilities through Health Information exchanges. Program runs 10/1/17 to 9/30/19.

Several other reports were given, and topics discussed, however, no further formal action was taken. A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jon Dolan
President/CEO