



MINUTES OF MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
February 12, 2020
HCANJ Executive Offices, Hamilton, NJ

The meeting was convened at 1:15 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2020 Business Meeting.

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:

- The James Group Consulting, Doylestown, PA/Banking, Financial/Accounting
- Galaxy Ambulance, So. Amboy, NJ/Ambulance/Medical Transportation
- SRX, Valley Stream, NY/Consulting, Pharmaceutical Services, Technology
- Basic American Medical Products, Atlanta, GA/Furnishings/Interior Design
- Skycare Media, Clifton, NJ/Consulting, Management, Marketing
- Optum, Basking Ridge, NJ/Pharmacy, Financial, Technology
- TypoDuctions, Spring Valley, NY/Marketing Services
- Amadeus Healthcare Consulting, Flemington, NJ/Regulatory, Survey & IDR Consulting

Education – Registration for the 20-Hour Symposium is now open. All information regarding NAB is in the Beacon. Members are urged to keep a file of copies of any certificates sent to the LNHA Board and to send them certified mail. You are required to upload your CEs to the NAB website.

Assisted Living – CALA audits have taken place: 80 were audited and 16 were suspended.

Emergency Management – Beware of “armchair epidemic experts.” The coronavirus could go away and then come back, perhaps more virulent. China is probably underreporting. The WHO chairman is calling this a grave threat to public health. The virus is now known as COVID-19. In 2 ½ months there have been 1000 fatalities and we could now see 1000 in a matter of a week or two. Monitor DOH page.

Quality – There are changes in TB screening per a memo from DOH. It is no longer recommended annually for residents. Infection control surveys are focusing on hand hygiene – hand washing and appropriate use of sanitizer. Members should be sure that nursing, housekeeping, and activities are aware.

Reimbursement – We have been advised that Horizon and Amerigroup are now processing retroactive claims payment adjustments to July claims for the SFY 2020 rate increase. It is our understanding that Aetna, Wellcare and United have completed processing the July rate change increases.

Legislative – The governor's budget address is scheduled for February 25. HCANJ sat down with the governor's office early to discuss our ask. The president stated that the best possible situation is for the governor to include us in his budget proposal. We need the legislative and executive branches to work together in our favor.

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 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Dolan
President/CEO

The signature of Jon Dolan is a handwritten cursive script in black ink, positioned above his name and title.