

MICHIGAN HEALTH &
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Annual Meeting



JUNE 24-26, 2026



Schedule of Events

(Times are subject to change.)



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Healthcare is highly regulated resulting in a tangled, unsustainable delivery system. Leaders must dedicate themselves to original thinking, creativity and operate beyond the existing mindset while remaining connected to a patient-centric, high-quality care delivery system.

The MHA Annual Membership Meeting is a unique venue to foster invention. The speakers will offer insights that will aid hospitals in their efforts to innovate. Through conversations with colleagues, hospital and healthcare leaders can help each other identify goals to passionately pursue. While Thomas Edison said, "Genius is 10 percent inspiration and 90 percent perspiration," we must not get locked into the reality of 100 percent perspiration and zero percent inspiration. Register now to join the hundreds of executives who will gather to listen, share ideas and consider new, out-of-the-box paths forward.



▶ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

- 9 a.m. (private meeting)
MHA Board of Trustees Meeting
- 10 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Registration Area Open
- 1 – 3 p.m.
Clinical Leadership CME Session
- 2 p.m. (private meeting)
MHA Service Corporation Board of Directors Meeting
- 3 – 4:30 p.m.
Ice Cream Social
- 4 – 6 p.m.
CFO Networking Reception
- 6 – 7 p.m.
Welcome Reception
- 7:15 p.m. (by invitation only)
MHA Service Corporation Board of Directors Dinner

▶ THURSDAY, JUNE 25

- 7:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Registration Area Open
 - 8:30 – 9 a.m.
Call to Order and Presentation of Healthcare Leadership Awards and Health PAC Awards
 - 9 – 9:45 a.m.
Spencer C. Johnson Health Policy Lecture
 - 9:45 – 10:10 a.m.
MHA House of Delegates (Members Only) and Presentation of MHA Meritorious Service and Special Recognition Awards
 - 10:10 – 10:30 a.m.
Break
 - 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Panel Discussion
 - 11:30 a.m. – Noon
Presentation of Ludwig Community Benefit Awards and Circle of Honor Awards
 - Noon – 1 p.m.
Recess: MHA House of Delegates Lunch Break (lunch on your own)
 - 1 – 2:30 p.m.
Lawn Party
 - 2 – 3:30 p.m.
Sip N' Sail Excursion
 - 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Small or Rural Hospital Reception
 - 6 – 7 p.m.
Gala Reception
 - 7 – 8:30 p.m.
MHA Dinner Party
 - 8:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Afterglow Reception
- ## ▶ FRIDAY, JUNE 26
- 8:45 – 9:05 a.m.
Outgoing Chair Recognition and Inaugural Remarks of the New Chair
 - 9:05 – 10 a.m.
Panel Discussion
 - 10 – 11 a.m.
Closing Session

1 – 3 p.m.

▶ Clinical Leadership CME Session

Currently, there is a lack of structured opportunities for clinical leaders within our industry to develop and refine essential leadership skills tailored to healthcare environments. Clinical leaders should have access to evidence-based leadership education and practical tools that foster collaboration, drive organizational change and improve patient care outcomes. This session aims to bridge that gap by providing focused, practical leadership tactics for physicians and nurses.

In this session, participants will develop leadership competencies, enabling them to guide multidisciplinary teams more effectively, implement best practices and contribute to a culture of continuous improvement. Participants will:

- Learn practical approaches to lead change.
- Recognize how culture can help or hinder the efforts to improve performance.
- Understand the importance of change management in sustaining the gains of improvement.
- Learn change management tools and concepts that can be implemented in daily work.



Dawn Allbee, MA, CPHQ, executive director of high reliability services at The Joint Commission Resources and The Joint Commission International is a certified master change agent and certified green belt with more than 17 years of experience training all levels of staff in change management, leadership commitment and support, and high reliability.

This session has limited space. Registration will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of MyMichigan Health and the Michigan Health & Hospital Association. MyMichigan Health is accredited by the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. MyMichigan Health designates this live activity for a maximum of 2 AMA PRA Category Credit(s)[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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3 – 4:30 p.m.

▶ Ice Cream Social

Join us on the front porch of the Grand Hotel for this delicious treat in a setting enjoyed by generations old and young.



6 – 7 p.m.

▶ Welcome Reception

The Welcome Reception on the Grand Hotel's famous front porch is the perfect way to reconnect with colleagues and friends. Please note the Grand Hotel's dress policy for adults and children 12 years of age and older after 6 p.m.



9 – 9:45 a.m.

▶ SPENCER C. JOHNSON HEALTH POLICY LECTURE

A Little Closer to Home: How I Found the Calm After the Storm



Ginger Zee is the chief meteorologist at ABC News, reporting on the nation's weather on "Good Morning America" and across ABC News broadcasts and digital platforms. Since joining ABC News, Zee has covered almost every major weather event and dozens of historic storms. Her passion does not stop with storm chasing. Her love of adventure has taken her and ABC News viewers across the world, including paragliding the Himalayas, diving with sharks in the Bahamas and competing on "Dancing with the Stars."

It is hard to believe since childhood, Zee suffered multiple mental health battles. She struggled with depression, attempted suicide and was the victim of serious sexual assault. Zee felt she needed to hide what she was going through but has learned to beat down the stigma by being open about her own experiences and going through treatment. Despite her diagnoses, self-doubt and turmoil, Zee has managed to build a remarkable career and family. Zee will share her story of overcoming stigma and learning to thrive.

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

▶ PANEL DISCUSSION

Building Trust Through Humility, Purpose and Lived Experience

Healthcare is a continuous and growing topic of national debate. This year, healthcare value will be a top discussion at the MHA Annual Meeting. Part of this discussion is the ebb and flow of trust from the American people. Trust has been tested by a public health crisis, data privacy concerns and increasing healthcare costs. To build confidence in Michigan's healthcare system, we must have a commitment to a transparent and simpler care delivery system. The panelists will discuss how they are building credibility, refining communication approaches and being more transparent to rebuild trust for healthcare services offered in Michigan.



Panel discussion moderated by **Jonathan Martin**, politics bureau chief, Politico; panelists, **Tina Freese Decker**, president and CEO, Corewell Health; and **Robert Riney**, president and CEO, Henry Ford Health.



1 – 2:30 p.m.

▶ Lawn Party

The lawn party is filled with carnival games, music and networking. Back by popular demand is the "Minute to Win It" game and carnival attractions for children and adults. Every generation loves music and our DJ will spin favorite tunes from the Greatest Generation to Gen Beta! There is something at the lawn party for everyone.



2 – 3:30 p.m.

► Sip N' Sail Excursion

The MHA Health Foundation is hosting a Sip N' Sail boat cruise highlighting the stunning scenery of Northern Michigan that can only be viewed from the Straits of Mackinac and Lake Huron. Cruisers will have intimate networking time while experiencing fun entertainment. Proceeds from the Sip N' Sail excursion help underwrite the MHA Health Foundation's Ludwig Community Benefit awards, which recognize the programs and services Michigan hospitals provide at low- or no-cost to improve the quality of health and life. Participation is limited and registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. All participants must be 21 years of age or older.

Complete the Sip N' Sail portion of the registration form and include the fee with your registration materials. *(Registration fee is less than market value and cannot be considered a charitable donation.)*



6 – 7 p.m.

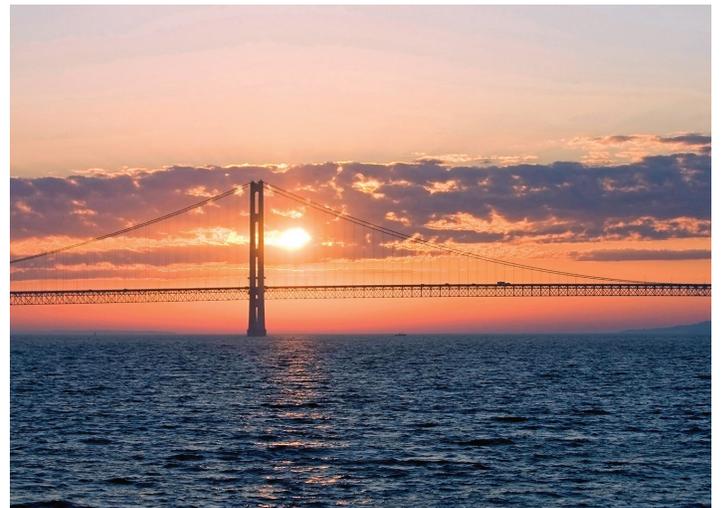
► Gala Reception

The Gala Reception on the front porch of the Grand Hotel allows you to create a memorable evening with colleagues and friends before the MHA Dinner Party begins. Please note the Grand Hotel's dress policy for adults and children 12 years of age and older after 6 p.m.

7 – 8:30 p.m.

► MHA Dinner Party

The MHA Dinner Party is held in the main dining hall of the Grand Hotel. A creative, sophisticated culinary experience for MHA members, guests and children. Please note the Grand Hotel's dress policy for adults and children 12 years of age and older after 6 p.m. All attendees will need their meal ticket to enter the main dining room.



8:30 – 9:30 p.m.

► Afterglow Reception

The perfect after-party location is where you see the sun slipping below the Straits of Mackinac. The Afterglow Reception on the east end of the Grand Hotel front porch is an opportunity to make informal connections before the meeting ends and take in the stunning evening sky.

8:45 – 9:05 a.m.

▶ **Outgoing Chair Recognition and Inaugural Remarks of the New Chair**

Join us to recognize MHA’s outgoing board chair and hear insights from the incoming board chair.

9:05 – 10 a.m.

▶ PANEL DISCUSSION

Affordability: Defining a Direction for Healthcare



Twentieth-century healthcare, designed for the sick elderly, that working-age populations are obliged to fund, is a relic. Fed-up consumers are demanding predictable, transparent and affordable healthcare. Public policies and regulations make hospitals the safety net for the increasing public health crisis. In this panel, **Richard Helppie**, entrepreneur and creator of the Common Bridge podcast; **Nathan Kaufman**, managing director and founder of Kaufman Strategic Advisors; and **James Moses, MD**, chief clinical officer, Corewell Health, will discuss pain points and how to resolve them, including:

- Creation of seamless services supporting medical and mental healthcare needs.
- Processes to teach and incentivize consumers to use their healthcare benefits and “wallet” wisely.
- Unique solutions to providing access and quality to rural communities.
- Ways stakeholder interests, technology, capital and policy can redesign healthcare funding.

10 – 11 a.m.

▶ CLOSING SESSION

Culture By Design: Transforming Workplaces One Brain Pattern Interrupt at a Time



Our minds habitually focus on what’s wrong and why we’re frustrated instead of where we could be and what it would take to get there. This is where Fundamism™ changes everything. Workplace culture expert **Paul J. Long** has discovered a powerful truth: Culture isn’t something you fix—it’s something you create through moment-by-moment choices. Through his principles of deliberate connection, he teaches leaders and teams how to implement “brain pattern interrupts” that shift attention from problems to possibilities.

▶ **Get the Latest**

Follow the MHA on social media for regular updates on MHA initiatives, meetings and conferences, as well as health policy updates, hospital stories and other health news.



THINGS TO KNOW

The MHA Annual Membership Meeting is reserved for members, sponsors and invited guests. If you have questions about membership, please contact Sam R. Watson, senior vice president of field engagement.

To attend, register online at www.mhaannual.org. Please return all registration materials and fees to MHA by May 22. Credit card payment is required during registration.

▶ HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT THE GRAND

THE MHA WILL NOT SEND A LODGING FORM UNTIL A PAID REGISTRATION FOR THE MHA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS RECEIVED AND PROCESSED.

Important information about your lodging request:

- A separate form must be submitted for each requested room.
- Breakfasts, dinners (including the Thursday evening MHA Dinner Party) and the Grand Luncheon Experience on Thursday are included in the Grand Hotel's room charge when meals are eaten in the main dining room or the Jockey Club at the Grand Stand.
- The regular adult rate applies when children occupy a room by themselves.
- Accommodations are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.
- If you request more than one room, your request will be assigned based on availability.
- All accommodations are in the Grand Hotel until the room block is filled.
- Phone reservations will not be accepted.
- In accordance with Michigan law, the Grand Hotel is a nonsmoking property.
- **All confirmations will be sent to you via email from the Grand Hotel.** Be sure to complete all information on the form.
- To reserve accommodations for this meeting, complete the hotel reservation form and return it to the Grand Hotel. **All hotel reservations must be returned on or before May 22. Confirmation of lodging will be sent after June 1.** Questions regarding room reservations for the annual meeting should be submitted to the Grand Hotel.
- **There is no guarantee of lodging in the Grand Hotel.**
- In the event the MHA room block at the Grand Hotel is exhausted, the MHA will assist registrants with accommodations at downtown Mackinac Island hotels that have contracted with the MHA and are able to accommodate the lodging requests

▶ QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about the 2026 MHA Annual Membership Meeting, email the MHA at annualmeeting@mha.org, visit www.mhaannual.org or call (517) 323-3443. Questions on room reservations for the meeting should be submitted to the Grand Hotel.

This event may be photographed and/or videotaped. Your attendance will indicate your consent for the use of such photographs or videotapes for educational and/or promotional purposes. The views and positions expressed by guest speakers at this event do not necessarily reflect the views and positions of the Michigan Health & Hospital Association, its affiliated organizations, its members or its sponsors.

▶ SAFETY PROTOCOLS

The MHA follows local, state and federal guidelines and determines safety protocols and requirements for all face-to-face events based upon these recommendations.

▶ SPOUSE/GUEST/CHILDREN INFORMATION

All spouses, guests and children must pay the registration fee to receive a nametag that permits entrance to receptions and events. This fee also includes attendance at any or all of the general sessions. Guests include children ages 18 and older and others who are not employees, governing board members or medical staff of registering organizations.

You are encouraged to register children for the full meeting. Children are welcome at the networking receptions and the MHA Dinner Party. If children are not registered prior to arrival on the island, they may do so Wednesday and Thursday in the Welcome Area in the Grand Hotel.

The children's evening programs provided as part of the MHA Annual Meeting are discontinued.

THE GRAND HOTEL DOES NOT OFFER BABYSITTING SERVICES.

▶ FERRY SERVICE

Service to Mackinac Island is available via Shepler's Ferry.

- www.sheplersferry.com
- (800) 828-6157

Go to www.mhaannual.org to learn more about discount rates on Shepler's Ferry, the MHA's preferred ferry service for the MHA Annual Membership Meeting.

▶ ATTIRE

Casual dress is encouraged during the day, with business or semi-formal attire reserved for after 6 p.m. Dresses, skirts, blouses, dress sweaters and dress slacks for ladies are required, while gentlemen are required to wear a suit or sport coat, necktie and dress pants; no denim or shorts. This applies to all areas inside the hotel, with the exception of the Cupola Bar, guest room hallways and the retail corridor. Children 12 years and older are expected to be in dress similar to the adults.

▶ Register online at www.mhaannual.org by May 22.



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