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Travis Andersen of UW Health in Northern Illinois Elected to Illinois Health and Hospital Association Board

NAPERVILLE – Travis Andersen, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), UW Health in northern Illinois, in Rockford, has been elected to the Board of Trustees for the Illinois Health and Hospital Association (IHA). The IHA Board is the policymaking body for the Association, which represents more than 200 hospitals and nearly 40 health systems across Illinois. Andersen’s three-year term began on Jan. 1, 2025. The first IHA board meeting of the year is scheduled for Jan. 24.

“We are pleased to welcome Travis to the IHA Board,” said A.J. Wilhelmi, IHA President and CEO. “Travis brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise that will be invaluable as we work to shape healthcare policy in Illinois.”

Andersen spent much of his 25-year career as President/CEO/Senior Executive in managed care and health system leadership in Wisconsin.

He is a strategic, proactive, and visionary senior executive known for enhancing quality, employee commitment and patient experience while increasing profitability in complex health care markets.

Andersen is a native of Iowa. He received his B.A. from Simpson College and earned his M.A. in health administration from the University of Iowa.

UW Health

UW Health is an integrated health system and academic medical center associated with the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health. Dedicated to advancing patient care, research, education and community service, UW Health has more than 24,000 employees, including 1,900 physicians, in Wisconsin and Illinois. University of Wisconsin Hospitals has been rated the top hospital in Wisconsin 13 years in a row by U.S. News & World Report. For more information visit uwhealth.org.

About IHA

The Illinois Health and Hospital Association, with offices in Chicago, Naperville, Springfield, and Washington, D.C., advocates for Illinois’ more than 200 hospitals and nearly 40 health systems as they serve their patients and communities. IHA members provide a broad range of services—not just within their walls, but across the continuum of healthcare and in their communities. Reflecting the diversity of the state, IHA members consist of nonprofit, investor-owned and

public hospitals in the following categories: community, safety net, rural, critical access, specialty, and teaching hospitals, including academic medical centers. For more information, see www.team-iha.org. Like IHA on [Facebook](#). Follow IHA on [X](#) (formally known as Twitter).

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