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NHIA Announces 2024-2025 Board of Directors

Alexandria, VA (February 28, 2024) The [National Home Infusion Association](#) (NHIA) is proud to announce its 2024-2025 Board of Directors. Beginning this term, the association expanded to 17 the number of board seats on its governing body to provide a broader diversification of infusion provider organizations. Board members serve 3-year terms as representatives for their NHIA member organization. Joining the NHIA Board of Directors are:

- **Premier Infusion Care, represented by Tim Smith, RPh, General Manager & COO.** Premier is an independent, single-site provider based in Southern California. A member of NHIA since 2008, they have been highly engaged in NHIA advocacy efforts, hosting members of Congress for site visits of their facilities and participating in Capitol Hill days. Premier supported NHIA's efforts to improve access to monoclonal antibody therapies to treat COVID-19 in the home setting and provided outcomes data to the NHIF benchmarking site.
- **Coram CVS Specialty Infusion Services, represented by Joseph Owen, PharmD, Executive Director.** Coram, a national provider with 36 pharmacy locations and 34 ambulatory infusion suites, is one of the most tenured and largest providers in home infusion industry and a long-time member of NHIA. Over the years, many Coram staff have participated in NHIA committee work and shared their knowledge through NHIA educational programs and publications. The company operates residency and fellowship programs for professional development and is involved in legislative and lobbying initiatives.

In addition to the newly installed members, Harbin Clinic, Promptcare, Optum, and Infusion Solutions were elected to additional terms and all officers were confirmed for a second term. The remaining members and officers of the Board include:

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John Rademacher
CEO
Option Care Health
Bannockburn, IL

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Gregory LoPresti
CEO
Upstate HomeCare
Clinton, NY

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OptumRx
Eden Prairie, MN

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President and CEO
New England Life Care
Woburn, MA

Past Chair

Tim Affeldt
*Vice President of
Specialty/Infusion Operations*
Fairview Pharmacy Services
Minneapolis, MN

At-Large

Eric Ho
*Senior Vice President,
Pharmacy Services*
Paragon Healthcare Inc.
Dallas, TX

Non-Voting

Connie Sullivan
President and CEO
National Home Infusion
Association
Alexandria, VA

NHIA Board Members

Rowena Birnel
CEO
Infusion Solutions Inc.
Bellingham, WA

Andy Copeland

Executive Vice President
PromptCare
Olathe, KS

Frank Esposito

Deputy COO
KabaFusion
Edison, NJ

Noah Franz

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Froedtert Health Pharmacy
Solutions
Brookfield, WI

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Chartwell Pennsylvania, LP
Oakdale, PA

Todd Pledger

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Pharmacy Services*
Harbin Clinic, LLC
Rome, GA

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Revenue Cycle Management
and Managed Care
Contracting*
Amerita, Inc.
Centennial, CO

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*Assistant Chief Pharmacy
Officer*
UC Davis Health
Rocklin, CA

Drew Walk

CEO
Soleo Health
Carrollton, TX

“Being elected to the Board of Directors is the highest level of dedication and investment in NHIA and demonstrates a desire to work collaboratively with peer organizations to advance the infusion profession,” said Connie Sullivan, NHIA President and CEO. “We are excited to welcome Premier and Coram, and thank you to all our board companies as they are at the forefront of the industry and their participation in NHIA brings diverse perspectives that will help the association effectively address member needs.”

The 2024-2025 Board of Directors will be installed at the NHIA Annual Conference held in Austin, TX March 23-27.

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NHIA is a trade association that represents companies that provide medically necessary infusion therapies to patients in alternate sites, as well as companies that manufacture and supply infusion and specialty pharmacy products. The association’s mission is to provide advocacy, education, and resources to the home and alternate site infusion community so the patients they serve can lead healthy, independent lives. For more information, visit www.nhia.org.