



KHA Member CEOs, Administrators, Government and Public Relations Executives,

Advocacy is at the heart of every service KHA provides for our members. Whether we are educating, advocating, or relationship-building, we look for ways to assist policymakers at the federal, state and local levels in understanding the issues essential to hospitals. Part of our advocacy efforts is to encourage our members to be involved in the process and vote. We invite you to use our ready-made **2026 We CARE We VOTE Campaign** to mobilize your hospital's employees in this important election year.

We CARE We VOTE is a statewide initiative to empower and educate health care workers about how they can get out and vote during the 2026 elections. The campaign encourages hospital employees to participate in 2026 elections to show elected officials and candidates that we care – for our patients, our communities, and our local and state economies.

As you know, the 2026 elections will be critical because the leaders we elect will make important decisions concerning the future of health care – and, ultimately, the future of Kansas hospitals. Leading up to the **Kansas Primary Election on Aug. 4** and the **General Election on Nov. 3**, we encourage you to call on hospital employees, physicians, trustees, vendors and volunteers to join together to make the voice of the industry heard through the We CARE We VOTE campaign.

Together, Kansas hospital employees are more than 100,000 people strong. Your team is in a powerful position to make a difference with their votes and their voices as advocates for better health. The Kansas Hospital Association is here to support those efforts, and we encourage you to use the 2026 We CARE We VOTE advocacy toolkit to promote the importance of electing leaders who prioritize healthy Kansas populations and healthy Kansas economies.

NEW this year, we have added resources for voter information, candidates, elected officials and a Kansas election calendar check it out on www.WeCareWeVote.org. We also have a customizable [communications campaign toolkit](#) for your use. The toolkit includes a communication plan and customizable resources to roll out the campaign at your hospital, as well as guidelines for having nonpartisan conversations with patients and the general public (including guidance on what a 501(c)3 can and cannot do).

We hope you will use these materials to spread the word about building healthier Kansas communities. As always, if you have questions or need additional assistance, please contact KHA at (785) 233-7436.

Thank you,
Chad Austin
President and CEO



That's the power of more than 100,000 hospital employees across the state who believe in building a healthier Kansas.

The Kansas Hospital Association is proud to support the WE CARE WE VOTE campaign.

