

Fall Workshop

KANSAS HEALTHCARE ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

September 22-24, 2026

**Bluemont Hotel
1212 Bluemont Ave.
Manhattan, Kansas**



Kansas Healthcare Engineers Association



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AGENDA

Tuesday, Sept. 22 — Golf Tournament

- 7:00 a.m. Check In
Wamego Country Club, 1900 Country Club Dr, Wamego, KS
- 8:00 a.m. Tee Off
- 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting, Bluemont Hotel, Manhattan

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Social Event at Hotel - Sponsored by Remedi8 and Hexmodal

Wednesday, Sept. 23

- 7:00 a.m. Registration
- 7:30 a.m. Welcome and Business Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Bridging Safety and Operations: Emergency and Facilities Management Collaboration for CMS Standards and Preparedness**
Daren Fowler, regional emergency management officer, Medxcel Facilities Management
- 9:00 a.m. Leadership Mindsets — Building Cultures That Transcend Tribalism and Burnout**
Damon Young, DK Young Consulting
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. KSFM Prevention Update & Open Forum**
Amanda Yorkey, education and code consultant, Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office
Rachel Martin, code consultant | prevention division, Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office
- 11:30 p.m. Lunch with the Office of the State Fire Marshal & Vendors
- 1:00 p.m. ASHE Core Competency**
Mike Stallbaumer, CHFM, facility manager, Nemaha Valley Community Hospital
- 2:00 p.m. Break
- 2:15 p.m. AAMI ST108: Understanding Water, Steam, and Infrastructure Requirements for Sterile Processing Departments**
Alec Stallbaumer, PE, team lead | mechanical engineering, Professional Engineering Consultants
Brett Walbridge, PE, principal and vice president of healthcare markets, Professional Engineering Consultants
- 3:15 Break
- 3:30 p.m. Critical Cover: Managing Roofing Risks in Healthcare Facilities**
Jeremy Hey, central regional sales manager, Coryell Roofing
Michael Couch, Kansas marketing director, Coryell Roofing
- 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Vendor Show**



AGENDA (CONT.)

Thursday, Sept. 24

7:30 a.m. Business Meeting and Elections

**8:00 a.m. From Compliance to Excellence:
Navigating KDOL-ISH Services and SHARP Recognition**
Jason Griffith, safety specialist, Kansas Department of Labor

9:00 a.m. Break

9:15 a.m. From Pipes to Patients: The Role of Engineering in Infection Prevention
Cassie Stevenson, RN, CIC, senior infection interventionist, KDHE

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Expanded Round Tables

12:00 Closing Remarks



PRESENTER INFORMATION

Bridging Safety and Operations: Emergency and Facilities Management Collaboration for CMS Standards and Preparedness

This session explores how emergency management and facilities management teams can work together to strengthen preparedness, response, and compliance with CMS standards. Attendees will learn practical strategies for aligning operational processes, improving cross-functional coordination, and building resilient health-care environments that support patient safety, regulatory readiness, and effective emergency response.

Leadership Mindsets — Building Cultures That Transcend Tribalism and Burnout

Discover how tribal culture shapes team performance by identifying the five cultural stages and the behaviors that signal each one. Learn practical coaching questions that move people and teams forward, and strengthen your leadership approach through effective onboarding, faction management, and burnout prevention.

KSFM Prevention Update & Open Forum

Hear directly from the Kansas State Fire Marshal Prevention Division about the latest developments in fire prevention across Kansas. This session will begin with a short update on key initiatives, followed by an interactive “Ask-the-Experts” discussion where attendees can bring forward questions, discuss real-world challenges, and hear practical insights from KSFM staff. Come ready to engage, learn, and connect with the team responsible for supporting fire safety throughout the state.

ASHE Core Competency Clinic: Strengthening Team Compliance

Health care facilities need to maintain compliance all day, every day, year after year. But with new employees, contractors and staff joining the facility, how do you get them geared up and contributing to your continuous compliance efforts. The competency clinic will help you to diagnose and prescribe better approaches to a compliance ready team. In this hands-on strategy session, you will work with your peers to review compliance challenges, pinpoint the issues and share strategies on how they could do better next time. This is a bring your own cell phone session where you will access online content and capture your findings to share with your team.

AAMI ST108: Understanding Water, Steam, and Infrastructure Requirements for Sterile Processing Departments

AAMI ST108 has introduced new considerations for healthcare organizations regarding water and steam quality used in sterile processing. This presentation will provide an overview of the standard, discuss its impact on facility planning and operations, and review key infrastructure, utility, and maintenance considerations associated with implementation. Attendees will gain practical insight into how water quality requirements can influence future SPD renovation and replacement projects and what healthcare leaders should consider when planning for long-term compliance and operational success.

Critical Cover: Managing Roofing Risks in Health Care Facilities

Hospital roofs play a critical role in protecting the people, equipment, and operations inside the facility—where failure is not an option. This session will explore practical strategies for selecting the right roofing system, reducing financial and physical risks through loss prevention, maximizing operational safety, and preparing for severe weather. Attendees will gain actionable insights to help protect their facility, minimize disruptions, and extend the life of their roofing investment.



PRESENTER INFORMATION (CONT.)

From Compliance to Excellence: Navigating KDOL-ISH Services and SHARP Recognition

This session provides an overview of KDOL-ISH Consultation programs and services, reviews common OSHA violations by industry, and explains the SHARP program, including its requirements, benefits, and pathway to recognition.

From Pipes to Patients: The Role of Engineering in Infection Prevention

Infection prevention extends far beyond the patient care environment. Healthcare engineering and maintenance teams play a critical role in reducing infection risks associated with water systems, air handling, construction, environmental conditions, and facility infrastructure. This session will explore common infection prevention risks within the healthcare built environment and provide practical strategies for partnering with Infection Preventionists to identify, assess, and mitigate risks before they impact patients and staff.



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Location and Hotel Accommodations

This workshop will be at the Bluemont Hotel, 1212 Bluemont Ave, Manhattan, KS, 66502. Reservations may be made [online](#) or by calling (785) 473-7091. Group code: KHEAFC921. There is no reduced room rate after Sept. 7, 2026.



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2026 KHEA Fall Conference

Event Date: Sept. 22-24, 2026
Event Venue: Bluemont Hotel
1212 Bluemont Ave.
Manhattan, KS 66502

Registration Fee is \$125 per person and includes meals, breaks and all program materials.

Golf Registration is separate. Please click [here](#)

Two easy ways to register:

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