



To: Kansas Healthcare Environmental and Linen Services Association Professionals

From: Eva Harrington, KHELSA President

RE: 2024 Application for Membership and President's Letter

Happy New Year, hope this letter finds you all doing well! I invite you to join the Kansas Healthcare Environmental and Linen Services Association. For those who have been a member, you know what a great source of information this organization can be. For those who are new and are in need of networking and informational tools, this is the group to join. We will provide a membership roster once the membership drive is completed. This roster will give you the ability to contact others for information.

We will have one meeting a year, and will be 1 ½ days and we are looking at having it in September. Dates are to be determined. As we get plans made, we will send out the information and we encourage you to share with your long-term care facilities as well.

Gina Hoskinson was our president-elect; however, she has had to resign this position. We thank Gina for all her years of service with KHELSA and look forward to her continued support of the organization as a member. The board appointed Patrick Fowler as our new president-elect. He commenced these duties January 1, 2024 and will become president January 1, 2026. Joni Deters from Nemaha Valley Community Hospital, Seneca, KS is our newest board member to fill Patrick's seat. Joni commenced these duties January 1, 2024 and her term will expire December 31, 2025. We have two board members who terms will expire December 31, 2024, these members may choose to be re-elected; however, we will also take nominations from our membership. If you are interested in being a part of the board, please let any board member know.

We decided at our business meeting in August 2023 to increase our membership dues from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Workshop registration fees will be \$100.00 for members, \$150.00 for non-members that includes them becoming a member. Vendor table fees will be \$100 for first table and \$ 75.00 for each additional table.

I wish to thank all the board members for the time and effort they put into our organization and to all the members for their support as well. Reach out to any board member with questions or requests for information. Please view our web page at <https://www.kha-net.org/AlliedOrganizations/KHELSA/> and remember to send in your membership application, which is enclosed.

I wish you all the best in 2024!

Eva Harrington
2023 KHELSA President