



KHA Convention News

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Welcome Reception and Registration

We look forward to seeing you next week at the [2025 KHA Annual Convention](#) and [Trade Show](#). This year's theme, *Mission: Possible*, promises to educate, enlighten and entertain you with award-winning speakers, networking opportunities and nearly 175 professional exhibitors displaying state-of-the-art products and services.

Start your convention experience off with a celebration by joining friends and associates at the Registration and Welcome Reception from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 3. Sponsored by our friends at [KAMMCO](#), this pre-event gathering offers a casual evening of conversation and cocktails. While there, take a moment to stop by the registration desk to pick up your convention materials and beat the Thursday rush. Exhibitor registration is not available during the Welcome Reception.

Questions regarding the KHA Annual Convention and Trade Show can be directed to Hayley Finch-Genschorck at hfinch@kha-net.org or Melissa Willey at mwilley@kha-net.org.

--Hayley Finch-Genschorck

Grow Your Giving: KHA-PAC Silent Auction Goes Virtual

This year, the Kansas Hospital Association Political Action Committee is excited to be taking some of its most popular events online! As part of the KHA Annual Convention and Trade Show, the KHA-PAC Silent Auction will be completely virtual, making it easier than ever for participants from across the state—and beyond—to join in the fun while supporting advocacy for Kansas hospitals.

The online auction **opens at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 4, and closes at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 5.** With just a few clicks, you can start viewing auction items and getting your bid buttons ready today by visiting the [KHA-PAC Silent Auction site](#).

How to Participate

1. **Register Online** – Start by visiting the [Silent Auction site](#) to create your bidding account.
2. **Browse and Bid** – From your phone, tablet or computer, you can explore dozens of auction items and place bids anytime between 8:00 a.m. on Sept. 4 and 11:30 a.m. on Sept. 5
3. **Stay Engaged** – Keep an eye on your favorite items! Bidding updates will be sent straight to your device, so you'll never miss your chance to win that item you've been eyeing.
4. **Celebrate Your Impact** – Winners will be announced shortly after the auction closes, and every dollar raised will fuel the PAC's mission to advocate for Kansas hospitals.

Whether you're at the convention in person or participating from miles away, the virtual format means everyone can be part of the action. Invite colleagues, friends and family to join you in bidding for a great cause by sharing the [event link](#).

The KHA-PAC plays a vital role in ensuring Kansas hospitals and health care providers have a strong and unified voice in Topeka and Washington, D.C. Funds raised through events like the Silent Auction go directly toward supporting candidates who understand and champion hospital and health care priorities.

Your bids don't just win you great items—they help secure policies that strengthen hospital financial sustainability, address workforce challenges and expand access to quality care for communities across Kansas. [Learn more about the PAC's impact](#).

In addition to allowing more hospital advocates to participate in the KHA-PAC Silent Auction, this year, we are also adding to the fun and excitement of your convention experience by moving the KHA-PAC Wine and Bourbon Pull online. You will also be able to purchase tickets for the KHA-PAC wine and bourbon pull online at any time throughout the event.

1. Purchase your tickets online under the [Donate & Tickets tab](#) anytime throughout the KHA Annual Convention and Tradeshow.
2. Stop by the PAC Booth during the convention to make your pull and claim your prize bottle.

Together, we can grow our collective giving and strengthen our voice in the policy conversations that shape the future of health care in Kansas.

Mark your calendar: Bidding starts at 8:00 a.m. Sept. 4 — visit the [Silent Auction page](#) to register, browse and bid!

--Tara Mays

Tips for Registering Online for the KHA Convention

Many of you have already used our online registration for the Kansas Hospital Association Convention, and we thank you! Remember, your name badge is your admission ticket to all KHA sessions, the trade show and the KHA party. If you pay for any additional functions not included with your registration fee, the ticket codes will appear on the back of your name badge and admit you to those extra functions.

You can only register yourself and a guest (up to two tickets per event) at one time. For instance, if you only register yourself and mark 10 tickets for the Political Advocacy Breakfast, our system will not process the other tickets because it can't identify whose records to apply this information to in our database. To purchase all 10 tickets, you must register each person individually, including the applicable registration fees. Also, please register for the convention and purchase your tickets simultaneously for a smoother process.

- To register online for KHA's convention, go to www.kha-net.org, click on '[Education](#)' and '[Register Online](#)' or go directly to <https://registration.kha-net.org>.
- From the 'Please select the event you wish to attend from below:' click on the down arrow and scroll down to KHA 2025 Convention and click 'Next.'
- Type in these required fields: first name, last name (do not include your title in this field) and email address (it will add your information exactly how you type it). You will receive a runtime error if you type in an inadequate email address (for instance, one that doesn't contain an @). Click 'Next.'
- Start typing your organization name in the drop-down window (if it doesn't appear, try the acronym or start typing the word 'The' first if you are, for example, with The University of Kansas Health System), select it and click 'Go.' All member organizations are listed. If you don't choose a member organization, our system will charge you the non-member rate.
- Check the box next to the event and then click 'Register.'
- Do not leave any required fields blank or you will receive a runtime error.
- Enter the credit card number without dashes or spaces and the expiration date on your credit card as mmyy (NO SLASH). For example, January 2026 expiration would be 0126. Click only once on the 'Process Card' button. Please note: double-clicking on 'Process Card' will duplicate the charge.
- If you receive an error message, please contact us immediately so we can identify the problem before your credit card is processed multiple times. KHA will refund you for any duplicate charges; however, we are working to minimize unnecessary processing.
- You will receive an automated email receipt shortly after registering online (or if our staff registers you in-house), provided your correct email address is in our system. If you are registering other people on your staff and need to track that information, please don't forget to ask them for a copy of their receipt.

If you have questions or if you are unable to register, please contact our [KHA Education Department](#) at (785) 233-7436. Thank you.

--Cheryl Carson

Beware of Spam Calls and Emails

We have been made aware of spam and phishing attempts via email and phone calls from unauthorized third-party vendors. These fraudulent messages often claim to offer attendee lists, hotel booking assistance or other services related to the KHA Convention and Trade Show. Please be advised that KHA does not partner with any third-party vendors for convention-related services. All official communication will come directly from KHA staff, using email addresses ending in @kha-net.org.

If you receive any suspicious messages or have questions about the convention or trade show, we encourage you to contact KHA directly for clarification at (785) 233-7436 or mwilley@kha-net.org.

--Hayley Finch-Genschorck