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Legislative Session Begins

The legislative session began this week and the Governor delivered a condensed State of the State address. The newly elected legislators have been sworn in and leadership elections have taken place.

The session this year will be a hybrid with both virtual and in person meetings. The virtual sessions will begin the week of January 18th when each of the committees will meet to discuss introduced committee bills. Our big committee bills that we will be working on and helping to get passed are the EMS UPL bill, liability immunity bills (1 in Judiciary and 1 in Travel Recreation and Wildlife) and a bill to protect money that is paid in to support the state HIE. These bills will be considered in the first round of committee bills.

There are a lot of new members of the legislature and there are 9 new members of the Joint Labor Committee out of a total 14 so we are having to do a lot of education. I would ask each of you to reach out to your legislators and explain why all of these bills are important. We will start having legislative briefings with you members as this session unfolds but right now we need your help pushing the committee bills we have worked all year to get to this point.

Below is a brief description of how things are scheduled for right now, realizing it is all dependent on what happens within our state with COVID.

January 19, 20 & 21

Three days of virtual standing committee meetings to consider and take public testimony on the assigned bills. No physical location for the committee meetings. Bills will be reported out with amendments as determined by the committee.

January 27 - February 5

Session reconvenes virtually via Zoom for eight days to consider the worked committee bills.

January 29

Cross-over Day in eight-day virtual session.

NOTE: If final action is not taken on a bill in house of origin, will be considered at reconvened session.

February 5

Adjournment of eight-day virtual session.

Joint Conference Committees on all bills are completed.

Presiding officers introduce and refer some bills to standing committees to work the week of February 22.

Week of February 22

Up to three days of standing committee meetings to consider bills referred; DEADLINE: Budget Bill available to the Public no later than February 22nd

March 1 - April 2

Session is reconvened. Session will be held in person if health metrics allow

March 8

Committee of the Whole (COW) 1st Day

Last day for House Bills to be submitted to LSO for introduction per current House Rules.

Monday, March 29

DEADLINE: Date to send any bill to Governor with possibility for Veto Override.

March 31

Concurrence on Amendments/ Joint Conference Committee Reports.

April 2

Joint Conference Committee Reports

All JCC Reports due to Front Desk by 2:00 p.m.

Last Day for Veto Override Votes

ADJOURN by Midnight.

The WHA will be closely monitoring all bills and keeping our membership updated and involved. If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Eric Boley, President or Josh Hannes, Vice President at 307-632-9344

WHA Calendar	
WHA Golf Tournament Casper	9/7 2021
Annual Meeting & Convention Casper	9/8-9/9 2021



Post-Election Regulatory Update on 340B

2020 has been a challenging year for entities participating in 340B. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has recently provided guidance that clarifies the use of contract pharmacies within a 340B program, stating that 340B hospitals are entitled to buy covered outpatient drugs at the discounted price, even if they use contract pharmacies.

SUNRx 340B Webinar Series

Many entities can benefit from an overview of 340B pharmacy including past, present and the future. In this session, we will cover:

- 1) How we got here and what you need to know about the lawsuit over drug companies refusing 340B discounts
- 2) How the recent manufacturer actions may impact your 340B program
- 3) What you need to know about new guidance from HHS
- 4) Actions to consider now to position your program for the future

Please join us for this informative webinar event, hosted by the Wyoming Hospital Association exclusive 340B partner, SUNRx with special guest, Jeffrey Davis, where we will be sharing some insights on how your organization can position itself for 340B success in 2021 and beyond.

**Tuesday, January 26th, 2021
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm EST**

**Register Here:
<https://webinars.on24.com/sunrx/webinarseries1>
Questions: Josh Hannes
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Color Tokens

With the continuing public health crisis our doctors, nurses, medical professionals and staff need continued support now more than ever.

To show their support, the WHA's exclusive cybersecurity partner ColorTokens is offering their next-generation security solutions Xshield and Xprotect completely free for any healthcare organization fighting a two-front battle – against both the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and increasing cyber-attacks, breaches, data theft and ransomware.

ColorTokens allows IT teams to see & intuitively control all network traffic and applications using powerful zero trust solu-

tions. Easily identify approved users/conversations and sandbox/test policies on both the network and application level to defend against any threat – securing all your servers, endpoints and legacy/fixed-function systems under a robust zero trust architecture.

Anything that takes a doctor's focus away from treating patients, or prevents first responders from reaching those in need, is more harmful now than ever. Even small attacks or breaches can have devastating consequences - that's why ColorTokens is committed to helping however possible. No red tape or tough, headache-inducing

implementation... just next-generation security that's easy-to-install at no cost whatsoever for six (6) months!

No commitment, no hassle and easily uninstall as needed – or partner with them for proactive cybersecurity with flexible payment options & managed services (cyber-risk quantification, testing, 24x7x365 monitoring & incident response).

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Afton Welcomes CEO Daniel Ordyna, ,JD & CPA

The Board of Directors at Star Valley Health is pleased to announce the appointment of Daniel Ordyna as chief executive officer.

Mr. Ordyna stepped into the role of CEO January 4, 2021, taking over for interim CEO, Chad Turner. The board thanked Chad for his vision and leadership during the last several months and appreciate his commitment to the organization.

Daniel holds an M.S. in accountancy from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctorate from University of Idaho. He

brings 20 years of progressive experience in the healthcare industry. He will oversee strategic planning and growth, budgeting, personnel and day to day operations. Please join us in welcoming him.

Daniel is a recognized health insurance expert skilled at creating partnerships between employers, payers, and providers to lower costs and increase quality.

He will oversee strategic, strengthening primary care and specialty alignment, improving ambulatory access, minimizing unwarranted clinical variation,

exploring diversified revenue streams, and finding innovative approaches to reducing the total cost of care.



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