

Wyoming Hospital Association

Newsbriefs

White House Releases FY 2022 Budget Request

President Biden submitted to Congress his budget request for fiscal year (FY) 2022. The budget primarily includes proposals from President Biden’s American Jobs Plan and American Families Plan.

The budget includes a discussion of certain health care policies, such as a public option, lowering the Medicare eligibility age to 60, reducing the costs of prescription drugs and expanding coverage in non-Medicaid expansion states through a Medicaid-like federal public option, but does not include details on these proposals or their fiscal impact in the budget.

The budget proposes:

- nearly \$134 billion for HHS
- \$8.7 billion for Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- \$6.5 billion for Food and Drug Administration
- \$9.5 billion for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration programs
- \$292 for Hospital Preparedness Program
- Rural Health Care. \$400 million for rural health programs under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), including for telehealth, the Rural Communities Nursing Workforce Development. \$268 million for programs to support nursing workforce development.
- \$17 million for 340B Drug Pricing Program



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Celebrating Our
HEALTHCARE HEROS

Norman S. Holt Award for Nursing Excellence

In 1983, the Wyoming Hospital Association Board of Directors, in honor and memory of Norm Holt, established the Norman S. Holt Award for Nursing Excellence due to his tremendous understanding and active involvement with the nursing profession.

The award is presented annually at the Wyoming Hospital Association Meeting to honor one outstanding nurse in Wyoming. Each Wyo-

ming hospital is allowed to submit one candidate per year.

The individual institution is responsible for determining its own method of nominating and selecting the candidate who will be submitted for further consideration. It is imperative to remember that every R.N. and L.P.N., regardless of position, should be considered an eligible candidate provided he/she meets the award criteria as

shown on the application form. The recipient of the award will receive a complimentary registration to the 2021 WHA Annual Meeting, including travel expenses, a recognition plaque and a monetary award.

This year’s meeting will be held September 8-9, 2021 in Casper. All applications for this year’s award must be received no later than **July 15, 2021**.



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Now that adolescents 12 and older are eligible to receive the Pfizer authorized vaccine, the Wyoming Department of Health has responded to some of the questions parents might have.

Questions and answers are available at the website, health.wyo.gov/publichealth/immunization/wyoming-covid-19-vaccine-information/covid-19-vaccine-questions-and-answers/ which can be translated into a variety of languages and is compatible with screen readers,.



**WHA Golf Tournament—September, 7
Paradise Valley Golf Club, Casper**

**WHA Annual Meeting—September 8-9
Clarion Inn, Casper, Wyoming**

Memorial Hospital of Carbon County Announces Nurse Residency Program



Memorial Hospital of Carbon County is offering a professional development program to newly licensed Registered Nurses. Our program provides an opportunity for new nurse graduates to be supported and integrated into the hospital culture as they transition from student to Registered Nurse. The program offers an extended preceptorship, as well as multiple seminars to help assimilate the new Nurse Residents into the hospital ethos, and grow them into capable nurses. The Nurse Residency seminars are based around critical thinking, professional development, skill development, therapeutic relationships, team building, and energy management. The blending of ongoing mentorship with skill and competency building, fosters a connection to their employment and their

peers bridging the gap from student to Registered Nurse.

The Nurse Residency Program is a six month-long program that includes:

- Paid one-to-one Preceptor- New Graduate orientation experience on the clinical unit you are hired to.
- Specialty training designed for new Registered Nurses in the settings of classroom, skills lab, simulation lab, and sometimes even outdoors.
- Paid Nurse Residency sessions provided by subject matter experts.
- Participation in an evidence-based learning project in which

you have the opportunity to better patient care, learn more about your resources, and improve nursing practice within the organization.

Memorial Hospital of Carbon County Nurse Residency Program is developed by experts in the Nursing profession. The program is designed to effectively support new Graduate Nurses as they transition into their first professional roles as Registered Nurses in the acute care or specialty setting in a supportive, educational setting.

