



News briefs



Thom Mayer, MD, FACEP, FAAP, FACHE Battling Burnout in Healthcare

We are excited to announce that Dr. Thom Mayer will be our keynote speaker at this year's annual meeting.

Dr. Mayer is Founder of BestPractices, Inc., the Medical Director for the NFL Players Association, a Medical Director for Studer Group, and Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine at George Washington University and Senior Lecturing Fellow at Duke University. He was named the 2018 winner of the James D. Mills Outstanding Contribution to Emergency Medicine Award, which is the highest honor of the American College of Emergency Physicians. He was recently nominated to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. USA Today named him one of the "100 Most Important People in the NFL." Tom Peters, the internationally acclaimed leadership guru, referred to his work as "gaspworthy."

When asked about these awards, Dr. Mayer simply says, "I have only one talent. I know how to hire people who are not only better than me, but much better than me. They won the awards, not me."

He is one of the most widely-sought speakers on healthcare patient experience, leadership and management, hardwiring flow, trauma and emergency care, pediatric emergency care, EMS/disaster medicine, and sports medicine. His work in each of these areas has resulted in changing the very fabric of patient care.

On September 11, 2001 Dr. Mayer served as the Command Physicians at the Pentagon Rescue Operation and has served on 3 Defense Science Board Task Forces, advising the Secretary of Defense. He has published over 100 peer-reviewed articles, over 100 book chapters, and has edited or written 20 textbooks, including:

- Leadership for Great Customer Service:
- Satisfied Employees, Satisfied Patients: 2nd Edition
- Leadership for Smooth Patient Flow
- Hardwiring Flow
- The Patient Flow Advantage
- Strauss and Mayer's Emergency Department Management.
- Battling Healthcare Burnout

Dr. Mayer was named the ACEP Outstanding Speaker of the Year and has been named ACEP's "Over-the-Top" award winner 3 times. Leadership for Smooth Patient Flow won the ACHE's James Hamilton Award for the best healthcare leadership book in 2008. In sports medicine, his work at the forefront of changing concussion diagnosis and management in the NFL has changed the way in which these athletes are diagnosed and treated.

Dr. Mayer was the originator of the entire NFL Concussion Guidelines program, and thus has changed the nature of the game. He gives many examples of his NFL experiences in his talks.

For more information or to register for the meeting, www.wyohospitals.com



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AHA Files Motions in 340B Case

The AHA today made a series of filings in district court to ensure that 340B hospitals are promptly repaid and that the rest of the hospital field is not penalized for the agency's unlawful policy.

The Supreme Court of the United States June 15 unanimously ruled in favor of the AHA's challenge to the Department of Health and Human Services' drastic cuts to out-patient reimbursement rates for certain hospitals that participate in the 340B Drug Pricing Program. The Supreme Court did not, however, specify the remedy for HHS' unlawful cuts. Today, the case was remanded to the United States District Court for the District of Columbia to determine how the affected 340B hospitals should be repaid.

Sheridan Memorial Hospital Earns 5-Star Award, Full Accreditation

For the second year in a row, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that Sheridan Memorial Hospital (SMH) earned an overall 5-Star rating putting the hospital in the top 13.73% of hospitals nationwide. This recognition illustrates the organization's ongoing dedication to providing excellent healthcare for the Sheridan community. "We constantly strive for perfection, and we achieved this rating through continuous process and quality improvement initiatives. These initiatives have been successful because of the dedication and hard work of our employees," said Liz Mahoney, Director of Quality Improvement.

The rating earned this year increased by 35% in the last year, due in large part to hospital-wide improvements which include daily staffing huddles at all levels. "We are committed to empowering our frontline staff to problem solve safety and process improvement issues," said Mahoney. "Everything we do at Sheridan Memorial is driven by the desire to give the best

possible care to our patients and encouraging all employees to collaborate and create positive change ensures we meet that goal."

"We could not have achieved the 5-Star CMS ranking without a commitment to excellence from our physicians and staff along with the help of our community partners in healthcare. We are proud to work with multiple organizations in the Sheridan area to ensure excellent health and wellness for the people of Sheridan," said Mike McCafferty, SMH CEO.

Mahoney also recognized the role community healthcare partners such as long-term care facilities and home healthcare agencies play in SMH's high ranking. "Two of the quality measures in the CMS ranking system directly relate to patient outcomes within the first 30 days after discharge from the hospital.

We are grateful to partner with Sheridan organizations who are equally as committed to patient care and safety as we are."

This national award comes on the heels of SMH also earning full three-year accreditation from The Joint Commission, an accrediting body seeking to improve healthcare for the public. "Undertaking this extensive accreditation process ensures SMH continues to provide safe patient care as well as a safe environment for our employees," Mahoney stated.

"This three-year accreditation is recognized nationally as the "Gold Seal of Approval" in healthcare, and we have earned it because of the outstanding work of our physicians and staff," said McCafferty. "It demonstrates the commitment of all SMH employees to providing safe, excellent patient-centered care."



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