



Maryland
Hospital Association

Date: July 6, 2017
To: MHA Membership
From: Mary Pat Seurkamp
Subject: Carmela Coyle leaving MHA

I wanted to share with the entire membership that I met yesterday with Carmela Coyle, who provided formal notice that she is resigning as President & CEO of the Maryland Hospital Association. Attached is her letter.

Carmela has accepted the position of President & CEO of the California Hospital Association (CHA), and will be with us until the fall. I will be working with MHA's Executive Committee to pinpoint a final employment date. The MHA staff team was made aware early this morning, and separate press releases will be issued by CHA and MHA later today.

I will also be working with the Executive Committee on next steps related to a national search for the MHA President & CEO position. In December 2014, MHA's Executive Committee approved a business continuity plan in which Meghan Allen, Senior Vice President of Operations, would serve as the Designated Staff Lead until a new leader is appointed. Carmela is confident that the team can continue to lead the work of the association until a successor is appointed and she has offered her continued assistance.

The Executive Committee will discuss implications for MHA's negotiations with the state on the All-Payer Model. We are well-served by Mike Robbins and the six hospital leaders who comprise the negotiating team.

Please join me in thanking Carmela for her service to this organization and in wishing her well in her new position.

Thank you.



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Dear Mary Pat and Members of the Executive Committee,

With this letter, I am providing notice that I am resigning my position as President & CEO of the Maryland Hospital Association. It has been an honor to lead MHA for the last nine years and to serve Maryland's hospitals in caring for their communities.

It has been my great privilege to work with this Executive Committee in blazing the trail to advance care delivery in Maryland and, indeed, to serve as a possible model for the nation. The work of our members has been extraordinary. It has been an even greater privilege to build an exceptional team of association professionals. MHA is well-positioned for continued success moving ahead.

Hospital association work has been my life and is my passion. I always hoped I would close my career here in Maryland, but with national change, have been called to one more role. I have decided to accept the position of President & CEO of the California Hospital Association and, from this new platform, help to guide health care in California and nationally.

It has been my pleasure to lead the Maryland Hospital Association. I could not have asked for a more supportive Executive Committee or a better, more committed team. Thank you for the opportunity.

With gratitude,

Carmela Coyle