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## PRESS RELEASE

## **AHRMM Membership Elects 2018 Board**

CHICAGO, August 22, 2017 — The Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM) of the American Hospital Association, has announced that Robert Taylor, CMRP, senior vice president of supply chain at RWJBarnabas Health in Oceanport, N.J., will be chair-elect of the 2018 AHRMM Board and serve as the AHRMM Board Chair in 2019. In addition, the AHRMM membership elected two new provider board representatives, Andria J. Davis, CMRP, and Stephen Kiewiet, CMRP, one affiliate member, Lora L. Johnson, MBA, BSN, RN, FAHRMM, CMRP, and one military member, Ronald J. Aquino, CMRP, to begin their terms in 2018

Robert Taylor currently serves as senior vice president of supply chain at RWJBarnabas Health. Taylor is a proven leader in healthcare supply chain with close to 30 years' experience, and has worked in faith based, for profit, not-for-profit, and academic facilities, as a provider and an affiliate. Taylor began his career 29 years ago working in environmental services and materials management. Over the years, he worked his way up into various leadership positions until his current role with RWJBarnabas Health. As chair-elect, Taylor will work with the Chair and the Board to help members effectively navigate the changes in healthcare supply chain, in order to continue to be meaningful contributors in their respective organizations. Taylor has been a member of AHRMM since 1997.

Healthcare provider representatives **Andria J. Davis** and **Stephen Kiewiet** join the current provider representatives who advocate for AHRMM members by conveying provider issues to the AHRMM Board and carry out AHRMM's mission. **Davis**, director, materials management at Onslow Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville, N.C., has a background in continuous process improvement, project management, lean management, along with four years' experience in the field of healthcare supply chain. Davis has been a member of AHRMM since 2013. **Kiewiet**, vice president, supply chain operations at BJC HealthCare in St. Louis brings 19 years' experience in healthcare supply chain to the AHRMM Board. Kiewiet has been a member of AHRMM since 2009. He is also a board member on the Boeing Center for Supply Chain Innovation at the Olin Business School in St. Louis.

As an affiliate representative, **Lora. L. Johnson**, consulting director at Vizient, Inc., in Irving, Texas, joins the current affiliate representative to advocate needs for the affiliate community and carry out AHRMM's mission. Johnson has served in the healthcare field for 32 years, in positions ranging from clinical staff and management roles to supply chain leadership roles. Johnson has been a member of AHRMM since 2013.

Military representative **Ronald J. Aquino**, chief, logistics division at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany, is responsible for advocating military issues to the Board, as well as carrying out AHRMM's mission. Aquino brings 18 years' experience in healthcare supply chain and six years of AHRMM membership experience to the Board.

"On behalf of AHRMM, I am pleased to welcome our newly elected Board members. Each individual brings unique insight on the value of healthcare supply chain, along with fresh and innovative ideas on how to prepare our membership to embrace new opportunities to support the healthcare field and the patients we all serve," said AHRMM Board Chair Karen Conway. "The AHRMM Board election is vital to the organization's continued success, and we thank all of the candidates and the members who participated in the election."

The new board representatives will begin their three-year term on January 1, 2018. For more information and to review Robert Taylor's platform, visit <a href="https://www.ahrmm.org/Elections">www.ahrmm.org/Elections</a>.

## **About AHRMM**

The Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM) is the premier membership group for healthcare supply chain professionals. AHRMM strives to provide the education, information, and resources necessary for its members to remain at the top of their field. With more than 4,500 members worldwide, AHRMM offers numerous opportunities for professionals to reach their highest potential and network with the best.

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AHRMM strives to advance healthcare through supply chain excellence by providing education, leadership, and advocacy to professionals in healthcare and related organizations that are accountable to the community and committed to health improvement. For more information about AHRMM and their resources, visit <a href="https://www.ahrmm.org">www.ahrmm.org</a>.

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