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**MONDAY MAY 20**

**8:00am–7:00pm**

**SUPPLIER REGISTRATION**

**11:30am–4:00pm**

**PROVIDER REGISTRATION**

This special Provider Registration is for all Supply Chain Leaders and GPO Executives. Relax and enjoy a light meal and networking with your peers as you register for the conference. Lunch for Providers will be served between 11:30am and 3:00pm.

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**12:00pm–4:00pm**

**SUPPLIER SHOWCASE**

Select Suppliers will showcase their products, services and technology. Showcases are designed to provide a limited number of supplier attendees with an opportunity to demonstrate their products, services and solutions for the provider executives. To maximize this experience for everyone, only Providers and Supplier attendees from companies with a showcase exhibit will be permitted into the showcase area. Please contact us to learn how you can participate. Please note that lunch is not provided for Suppliers or Showcase exhibitors. There are several restaurant outlets in the hotel which are available at your convenience.

**2:00pm–2:30pm**

**SUPPLIER ORIENTATION**

All Suppliers are welcome to attend this orientation meeting. This informational orientation meeting is an excellent opportunity for first time Supplier attendees to gain a clear understanding of our conference, specifically the **reverse** expo and how it works.

**4:15pm–5:30pm**

**PROVIDER ORIENTATION & SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT**

All Supply Chain Leaders and GPO Executives are required to attend this orientation meeting, which will provide important information pertaining to the conference and introduce a few of our sponsors.

**5:30pm–6:00pm**

**WELCOME RECEPTION (ALL ATTENDEES)**

**6:00pm–9:00pm**

**HOSPITALITY SUITES HOSTED BY OUR SPONSORS (ALL ATTENDEES)**

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## TUESDAY MAY 21

**7:00am–6:00pm**

### **REGISTRATION DESK OPEN**

Our Registration Desk will be staffed throughout the conference. If you have questions or need assistance with anything, please stop by and let us know. We are happy to help.

**7:00am–8:00am**

### **BREAKFAST (ALL ATTENDEES)**

**8:00am–9:30am**

### **OPENING REMARKS & KEYNOTE ADDRESS (ALL ATTENDEES)**

### **GETTING TO GREAT PERFORMANCE**

#### **THE WATER COOLERS**

Do you ever feel like you've got all your eggs in one basket, six balls in the air, 2 kids waiting to be picked up from lacrosse practice, and 7000 emails to return? Well gather 'round. This award-winning singing comedy act delivers a high powered, laugh-out-loud combination of sketch comedy and music about what we go through just making each day happen - life, work, kids, husbands, wives, travel, technology - and trying to balance them all. THE WATER COOLERS hilarious brand of song and sketch comedy celebrates anyone who's ever been held captive by a help line, pretended to understand an IT guy, weathered a Zoom call or furiously Googled "retrieve sent email". Like a mash up of high-end song parody and American Auto, THE WATER COOLERS uses top NY talent to answer the question "does this stuff happen to anyone else?"

THE WATER COOLERS have been making audiences laugh since 2000 with their unique blend of music and comedy performed by top Broadway singers and comedians. THE WATER COOLERS writing team is made up of professional comedy writers and people working in the "real world" and is headed up by one of the creators and co-authors behind New York's longest running comedy hit ever, TONY 'N TINA'S WEDDING. They have twice been named the best entertainment in the events industry. See what made one magazine writer exclaim, "I laughed so hard my cheeks hurt."



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### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

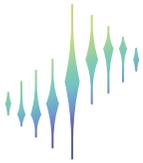
**AFTER ATTENDING THIS PRESENTATION, ATTENDEES WILL LEARN TO:**

- *Share skills and secrets to assist performance in leadership*
- *Place yourself in a better place for building relationships and collaboration*
- *Improve methods to focus on task and goals*

**9:30am–9:45am**

### **COFFEE BREAK**

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9:45am–10:45am



### EDUCATIONAL SESSION

#### **OPTIMIZING THE HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN FOR RESILIENCE**

##### **CO-PRESENTER: MELANIE NEWCOMB**

Melanie Newcomb is a Vice President of Supply Chain Operations and GPO Implementation for CHC Supply Trust in Plano, Texas. In this role, she leads the implementation of new member onboarding to the HealthTrust GPO and directs analytics and reporting emphasizing reliability, dependability, and contract performance to the HealthTrust GPO.

Melanie has over 25 years of Materials Management and Supply Chain experience in manufacturing and healthcare. The primary focus with CHC Supply Trust is on client onboarding, retention, and operational improvements. Before joining CHC, Melanie spent 13 years serving as a Supply Chain and Organizational Projects Manager with a rural hospital located in Minnesota and worked with CHC Supply Trust as a client. Melanie has a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota.



##### **CO-PRESENTER: JON PRUITT**

Jon Pruitt serves as Senior Vice President of CHC Supply Trust. He is responsible for implementing and administering a quality-based, comprehensive supply chain management strategy for CHC's supply expenditures and resource utilization. CHC Supply Trust supports over 140 independent and community-based hospitals with GPO support, services, and savings. Jon has more than 30 years of healthcare experience in directing supply chain and support services.

Before joining CHC, Jon served as Vice President, Supply Chain Integration for Tenet Healthcare-United Surgical Partners International (USPI), where he was responsible for supply chain integration of Tenet's Outpatient Division into USPI; the Division represents more than 400 ambulatory surgery centers and surgical hospitals.

Jon has also served in executive positions with healthcare companies including UT MD Anderson Cancer Center, VHA Inc./Provista (Vizient), Texas Purchasing Coalition, LifeCare Hospitals, Inc. and The Broadlane Group, Inc. Jon retired as a Lieutenant Colonel from the U.S. Army Reserves after 30 years of service. Jon holds a Master of Science in Healthcare Administration from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas and a B.B.A. in Finance from Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas.

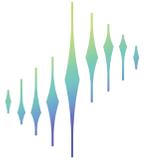
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### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

AFTER ATTENDING THIS PRESENTATION, ATTENDEES WILL LEARN TO:

- Gain an understanding of the current forces and factors impacting healthcare and supply chain operations.
- Determine how to plan for disruption in Supply Chain.
- Identify and implement innovative cost savings strategies.
- Understand the significance of partnerships in healthcare.


**TUESDAY MAY 21**
**11:00am–12:00pm**

**EDUCATIONAL SESSION**
**CLINICAL INTEGRATION: WEAVING EXCELLENCE INTO HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN WITH DATA AND ANALYTICS**
**AMANDA (MANDY) PULS**

Amanda (Mandy) Puls is currently serving as the Manager of Supply Chain Clinical Analytics at Froedtert Health, where she has accumulated over a decade of experience. A Wisconsin native, Mandy brings 15 years of leadership and over 10 years as a nurse in critical care to her role. With a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) concentrating in nursing executive leadership, a Certified Value Analysis Healthcare Professional (CVAHP), and an ongoing pursuit of an MBA, Mandy possesses a strong educational foundation. Her skill set includes expertise in data modeling, Electronic Health Record (EHR) software and coding, SQL, supply chain management, and analytics.

Passionate about leveraging predictive data modeling, Mandy aims to create proactive healthcare environments, not just within the supply chain but also across interdisciplinary healthcare teams. Her dedication is evident in her multifaceted approach to healthcare analytics, focusing on improving efficiency and decision-making processes. Mandy's mission is to empower others through the strategic utilization of data models. Ultimately, Mandy's overarching goal is to harness the power of data to elevate the overall value of healthcare.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**
**AFTER ATTENDING THIS PRESENTATION, ATTENDEES WILL LEARN TO:**

- *Create and explain data points required for a successful service line utilization dashboard.*
- *Identify goals for service lines to create strategic action plans.*
- *Create visualizations that provide directional clinically integrated supply chain data to support daily operations.*
- *Develop just in time metrics for critical situations.*

**11:45am–1:00pm**
**LUNCH**

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**12:15pm–1:15pm**

**LUNCH 'N' LEARNS** (BY INVITATION ONLY)

**1:30pm–3:30pm**

**reverseexpo** **SESSION 1**

The Supply Chain Leaders and GPO Executives host the exhibit booths in this very unique **reverseexpo**.

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**4:00pm–5:00pm**

**AFTERNOON KEYNOTE** (ALL ATTENDEES)

**A WINDOW INTO WASHINGTON**  
**KEN PEREZ**



Ken Perez is a healthcare industry thought leader with over 20 years of experience working for public and privately held healthcare IT companies. Ken serves as the Chief Strategy Officer and Director of Health Policy for ScriptPro. From 2014 to 2023, Ken served as the Vice President of Healthcare Policy and Government Affairs for Omnicell, and from 2009 to 2013, he served as Senior Vice President of Marketing and Director of Healthcare Policy for MedeAnalytics.

Ken is also a journalist, with over 200 published articles. He has served as a health policy columnist for hfm, the peer-reviewed journal of the Healthcare Financial Management Association, for 12 years.

Ken holds a bachelor's degree in International Relations with an emphasis in Economics from Stanford University and an MBA with concentrations in Finance and Accounting from UCLA Anderson.

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**AFTER ATTENDING THIS PRESENTATION, ATTENDEES WILL LEARN TO:**

- *The most significant health policies and legislation of the past year*
- *The proposed healthcare policies of the leading presidential candidates*
- *What health policies and legislation can be expected in the coming years*

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## DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT

**6:00PM-9:00PM**

### **Y'ALL ARE INVITED TO A RIP-ROARIN' TEXAS HOEDOWN!**

Join us on Tuesday evening for a night of Texas sized fun. Dust off your cowboy hat and polish those boots because you'll be kickin' up your heels all night long at Gilley's Dallas. Gilley's Dallas is a vibrant must-see for the movie fanatic. The original Gilley's is featured in the 80's movie *Urban Cowboy* as the place where John Travolta's character Bud struggles to win and keep the heart of Sissy (played by Debra Winger). The original bull used in the movie, El Toro, still occupies this world-class music venue today.

This party will be as big as the Lone Star State itself and you won't want to miss it. There will be plenty of cold beverages, games and good ol' boot-scootin' boogies from a live band. Sink your teeth into mouthwatering brisket and all the fixins' that will make your taste buds holler "Yeehaw!"

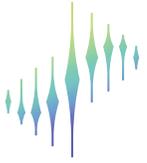
Can't wait to see y'all there for a boot-stompin', BBQ-eatin', two-steppin' good time!



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## WEDNESDAY MAY 22

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