

# AGENDA



## HOSPITAL O.R. & SURGICAL

FALL CONFERENCE

# CHICAGO

OCTOBER 27-29, 2025

### MONDAY OCTOBER 27

**8:00am–7:00pm**

**SUPPLIER REGISTRATION**

**9:00am–11:00am**

**PROVIDER BREAKFASTS** *(BY INVITATION ONLY)*

**11:30am–4:00pm**

**PROVIDER REGISTRATION**

This special Provider Registration is for all Hospital O.R. & Surgical 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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**11:30am–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, all Providers and only 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 Hospital O.R. & Surgical 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**

**6:00pm–7:00pm**

**HOSPITALITY SUITES HOSTED BY OUR SPONSORS** *(PROVIDERS ONLY)*

**7:00pm–8:00pm**

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

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## TUESDAY OCTOBER 28

**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)

#### WHAT IF?

#### MIKE RAYBURN



Mike Rayburn is a two-time TED Talk Presenter, an innovative entrepreneur and Hall of Fame speaker who uses world-class guitar and comedy to teach change and innovation to corporations world-wide. He has headlined Carnegie Hall, headlined in Las Vegas, and performed more than 5,000 presentations in 20 countries on five continents. Rayburn is a regular on Sirius/XM and morning radio nationwide. He has performed as guitarist with The Beach Boys and John Oates. Rayburn's keynote is called "The What IF? Keynote Experience." You will learn three simple tools for harnessing your unrealized potential, creating and leading change, and becoming a virtuoso performer. You'll hear amazing music including a solo guitar version of Bohemian Rhapsody. Oh, and you laugh a LOT! No one does what Mike Rayburn does.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Learn three powerful tools to access their unrealized potential
- Create change, rather than manage change
- Discover the opportunities they're currently missing
- Set and achieve bold, empowering goals
- Embrace their uniqueness as their competitive edge

**9:30am–9:45am**

### COFFEE BREAK

**10:00am–12:00pm**

### reverse expo SESSION 1

The Hospital O.R. & Surgical Leaders and GPO Executives host the exhibit booths in this very unique Reverse Expo.

**11:45am–1:00pm**

### LUNCH

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12:15pm–1:15pm

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

1:30pm–2:30pm



## EDUCATIONAL SESSION

### ***BUILDING A TOOLBOX FOR AN EXTENDED DOWNTIME: SURGICAL SERVICES***

**DR. WAYNE ZEH WELLINGTON, DNP, RN, NE-BC, AMERICAN NURSES ASSOCIATION (ANA) -ILLINOIS PRESIDENT**

Dr. Wellington is a dedicated nurse leader and educator who is currently the Director of Surgical Services at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago and an Adjunct Professor at Illinois College.

Wellington is the recipient of the 2024 Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC)/ School of Nursing - Emerging Leader Alumni Award and the 2023 Excellence in Nursing Award representing the Amy V Cockcroft Fellowship of Leaders. He was awarded the Operating Room Nurse of the Year at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), as well as being named in the top nurses for the state of South Carolina - being awarded the South Carolina Palmetto Gold Winner. Dr Wellington was the recipient of the 2022 Power of Nursing of Illinois: Pinnacle Leader award and winner of the prestigious Values in Action Award for Compassion at MUSC.

Previously, he was elected by the Illinois nurses to serve on the Board of Directors for the American Nurses Association (ANA)-Illinois and has been appointed and elected to serve as a committee member for the national ANA. He was selected to represent Illinois (2022-2023) in the American Nurse Advocacy Institute (ANAI) representing the nurses and state of Illinois. Dr. Wellington also serves on the Illinois Nursing Board (INF) - Board of Directors, Illinois Legislative committee, and ANA-Illinois Finance committee. He is a proud alumnus of the 2020 Amy V. Cockcroft Leadership Fellows and a 2024 American Organization for Nursing Leadership (AONL) Fellow for Nursing Directors.

Dr Wellington's various publications and articles on Nursing and Leadership Principals have been accepted and presented in various Nursing and Sterile Processing's journals and shares his journey in healthcare keynote speaking at conferences across the nation. Dr Wellington is a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nurses and the Phi Sigma Kappa International Fraternity.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- *Identify critical components of a downtime preparedness plan specific to surgical services, including communication protocols, equipment needs, and documentation processes.*
- *Develop and organize a comprehensive downtime toolbox resources to maintain patient safety and continuity of care during extended system outages.*
- *Demonstrate effective team roles and responsibilities during downtime scenarios through simulations or case-based discussions.*
- *Evaluate and improve current downtime procedures by identifying gaps and implementing best practices tailored to the surgical environment.*

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**TUESDAY OCTOBER 28**

**2:45pm–3:45pm**

**EDUCATIONAL SESSION**

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

**4:00pm–5:00pm**



**EDUCATIONAL SESSION**

## ***A WINDOW INTO WASHINGTON WITH A FOCUS ON HEALTHCARE***

**KEN PEREZ**

Ken Perez is the President of ScriptPro, a leading provider of operational, financial, and clinical solutions for pharmacies. Previously, he served as Vice President of Healthcare Policy and Government Affairs for Omnicell, a leading provider of medication management solutions. Ken is a member of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Foundation board, and he has served as an “Eye on Washington” columnist for hfm, the peer-reviewed journal of the Healthcare Financial Management Association, since 2011. Ken has contributed over 200 articles, columns and commentaries to a wide range of publications, and two dozen of his columns are indexed by PubMed, a service of the National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health. Ken has a MBA degree with concentrations in finance and accounting from UCLA Anderson and a BA degree in international relations with a concentration in economics from Stanford University.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- *Understand the impact of recently implemented tariffs on hospitals and health systems*
- *Analyze changes to Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement and eligibility*
- *Assess the status of the Make America Healthy Again agenda regarding medical research and HHS staffing, vaccine policy, and food system reform*



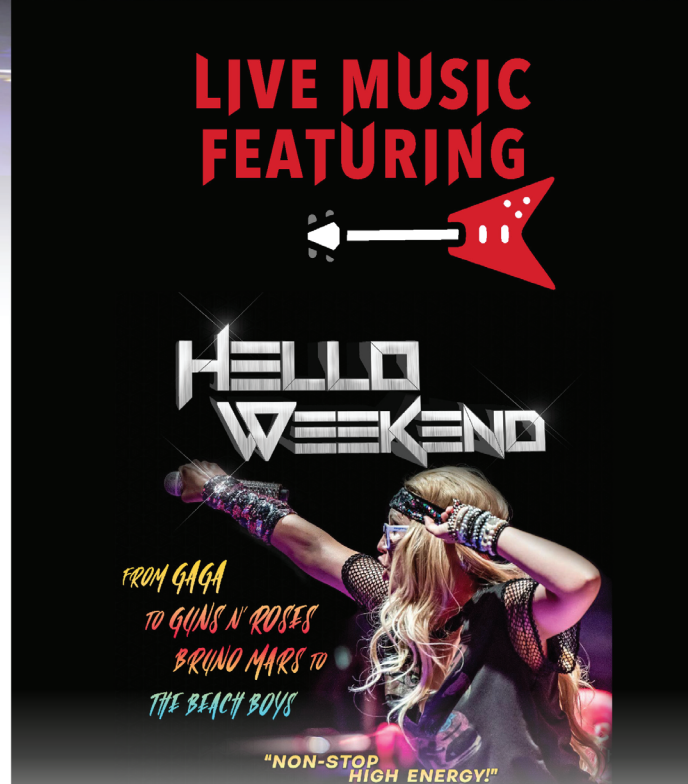
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DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT | TUESDAY OCT. 28 | 6:00PM–9:00PM



Joe's Live is a mega music venue and barbecue restaurant all under one roof. The venue hosts weekly lineups of music's biggest names, up-and-comers, local talent, DJs and more. We will be joined by one of their favorite local bands: Hello Weekend, a nonstop hit after hit premier Chicago band. From GaGa to Guns & Roses, Bruno Mars to the Beach Boys, they're like your favorite jukebox come to life. Come prepared for an evening full of wonderful BBQ & Southern comfort food, open bars, and dancing 'till late. Connected to Joe's Live is Bub City, for a quiet conversation or if your feet get too tired from the dance floor.

**Shuttles will run continuously between the Hyatt Regency and Joe's Live from 5:45pm–9:30pm.**

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### **SESSION 2**

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