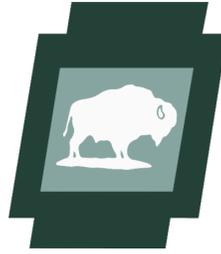


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Wyoming Legislative Session Begins February 9

The Wyoming Legislature will convene on February 9, 2026, for the upcoming legislative session. The Wyoming Hospital Association is actively tracking bills that could impact healthcare providers, hospitals, and patients across the state.

Key Healthcare Bills to Watch

Medicaid and Insurance Coverage: Several bills address Medicaid services and reimbursement rates, including proposals to increase rates for EMS services (SF 4) and obstetric services. The legislature is also considering changes to Medicaid eligibility criteria (SF 6) and repealing Medicaid birth cost recovery requirements. HB 63 would increase Medicaid reimbursement in nursing homes and HB 64 would enhance Medicaid reimbursement for maternal services.

Hospital Operations: SF 5 addresses hospital bankruptcy proceedings, providing new frameworks for facilities facing financial challenges. Additionally, legislation on contracts for holding and treating mentally ill detainees (SF 10) could affect hospital emergency departments and inpatient psychiatric services.

Transparency in Hospital Service Pricing: SF 57 would require hospitals to list prices for medical items and services.

Mental Health: SF 23, sponsored by Senators Schuler, Crago, and Heiner, proposes changes to outpatient examination and commitment length procedures, which could streamline mental health crisis response protocols.

Other Notable Legislation:

- HB 13: Making ivermectin available without prescription
- SF 20: Data privacy protections for government entities
- SF 49: Public records act revisions

Property Tax Proposals

The session will also address numerous property tax reform measures, including residential property tax replacement proposals, governmental property taxation, and homeowner exemption revisions.

Stay Informed

The Wyoming Hospital Association will continue monitoring these bills throughout the session and advocating for policies that support quality healthcare delivery. We encourage members to stay engaged as legislation develops and to reach out with questions or concerns about specific bills. For more information about these bills or to discuss advocacy priorities, please contact the Wyoming Hospital Association.



Explore the full AHA 2025 National Governance Report

The full **AHA 2025 National Governance Report** is now available. The report provides a comprehensive picture of the state of health care governance structures and practices across the country in areas including composition, performance oversight and selection. This resource is free to AHA member organizations and **available for purchase** for nonmembers.

2026 Reportable Disease List

The Wyoming Department of Health has published the 2026 Reportable Disease List. Please see the links below for further details.

- [2026-Reportable-Disease-List.pdf](#)

[2026 Reportable Disease List](#)



Prioritizing the Candidate Experience in Physician and APP Recruitment

Jackson Physician Search, a WHA Resources endorsed vendor is giving insight into recruitment. In today's competitive landscape, engaging candidates is essential for successful physician and APP recruitment. Organizations that excel in this area hire faster and enhance their reputation. Explore effective strategies to improve the candidate experience and attract top healthcare professionals.

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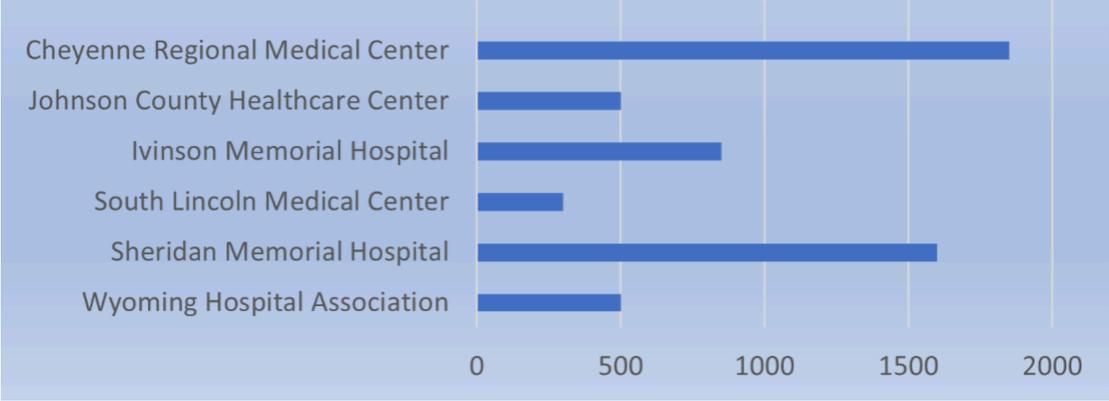
2026 Wyoming Budget Session
February 9, 2026

HFMA Spring Meeting
April 8-10, 2026
Casper, Wyoming

WHA Trustee/CEO Spring Meeting
May 19, 2026
Best Western Sheridan Center
Sheridan

WHA Annual Meeting
September 9-10, 2026
Little America, Cheyenne

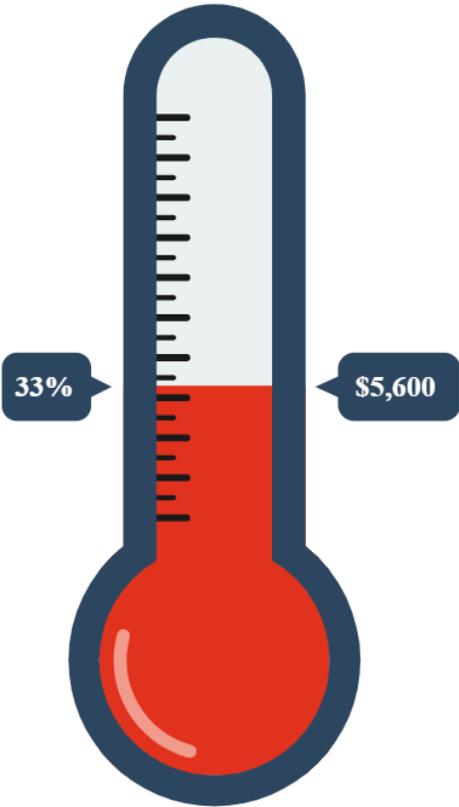
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