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TOP STORIES

Jefferson Health, Einstein Healthcare Merge to Create 18-Hospital System

After years of challenges, these two major academic medical centers can now expand care under the Jefferson Health name in the Philadelphia region.

Source: *Jefferson Health, Becker's Hospital Review, Philadelphia Business Journal*

Kaiser Permanente Suspends 2,200 Unvaccinated Employees

About 1% of the health care giant's workforce is on unpaid leave, with a Dec. 1 deadline to get the COVID-19 vaccine or face termination.

Source: *USA Today, ABC News*

Northwell Health Fires 1,400 Unvaccinated Employees, Leaders

New York's largest healthcare provider reports its workforce of 76,000 is now fully vaccinated.

Source: *Medscape, Reuters, Becker's Hospital Review*

Mergers of Rural Hospitals Saved Lives, Study Finds

An analysis of 172 merged rural hospitals and 266 comparison hospitals associated rural hospital mergers with better mortality outcomes for AMI and several other conditions.

Sources: *JAMA Network Open, Modern Healthcare, Healthcare Dive*

Healthcare Workers Strike in California, Oregon, New York

About 28,000 Kaiser Permanente workers in Southern California and Oregon have voted to strike.

Source: *The Hill, LA Times, United Nurses of California/Union of Health Care Professionals*

More than 2,000 Catholic Health hospital nurses and staffers in Buffalo, N.Y., went on strike Oct. 1, demanding improvements to staff and patient safety.

Fierce Healthcare, Spectrum News 1, Becker's Hospital Review, Labor Press

More than 350 healthcare workers at Sutter Delta Medical Center in Antioch, Calif., went on strike Oct. 4.

Source: **Becker's Hospital Review, KRON4**

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SAFETY & COMPLIANCE

Philadelphia Hospital Employee Fatally Shot by Co-worker

A 55-year-old male nursing assistant shot and killed a coworker, a 43-year-old male certified nursing assistant, inside Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia. The hospital has increased the number of security guards on duty and is exploring gaps in security measures.

Source: **6ABC, Philadelphia Inquirer, WHY PBS/NPR**

Hospital Ransomware Attacks Now Have Deadly Consequences

A lawsuit filed against Springhill Medical Center in Alabama contends that a baby died in April 2019 because of inadequate care received during a ransomware attack.

Source: **Politico, Wall Street Journal**

Electrical Issue Believed Cause of Smoke at Stephens Memorial Hospital

Construction, cleaning and engineering crews have been working around the clock at the Norway facility to bring the impacted units back in service, a hospital spokesman said.

Source: [Sun Journal](#)

ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY

Hospitals Confront Climate Change as Patients Sick from Floods and Fires Crowd ERs

Healthcare providers are seeing more patients sickened by climate-related problems, from overheating to smoke inhalation from wildfires and even infectious diseases.

Source: [California Healthline](#)

Health Systems Pushing Medical Suppliers on Sustainability

Hospital systems working to reduce their carbon emissions and other pollutants are pushing manufacturers, distributors and other suppliers to adopt more aggressive environmental goals.

Source: [FreightWaves](#)

INNOVATION

Striking The Right Balance Between Technology and Humans to Achieve Better Behavioral Health

Synchronous telehealth is a good first step for healthcare systems seeking to meet patients where they are, but it's not enough in the face of growing patient populations and the rising costs of care.

Source: [Forbes](#)

Health Care Interoperability: What Are the Security Considerations?

The idea behind healthcare interoperability is to connect multiple networks with no effort by users. However, when the Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement goes live in 2022, this could result in a security nightmare.

Source: [SecurityIntelligence](#)

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BUILDING, BUYING, SELLING

Physicians Realty Trust to Purchase Medical Office Building Portfolio for \$764 Million

Milwaukee-based health care real estate company Physicians Realty Trust is purchasing 15 Class A medical office buildings, with a total of 1.46 million square feet of space, from Landmark Healthcare Facilities LLC for approximately \$764.3 million.

Source: [BizTimes Milwaukee](#)

Hines, Harrison Street, 2ML Real Estate Break Ground on Phase 1 of Houston Life Sciences District

The 270,000-square-foot building is the first development for the broader nine-building Levit Green masterplan, a new mixed-use life science district made up of more than 53 acres of prime real estate adjacent to the Texas Medical Center in Houston,

Source: [Hines](#)

American Health REIT Merges with GAHR II

The new enterprise, with a gross investment value of approximately \$4.2 billion in healthcare real estate assets, is the 11th largest healthcare REIT globally.

Source: [GlobeSt.com](#), [ABC12](#), [DOTmed.com](#)

Tampa Hospital Launches Major Master Facility Plan, Renovation

With 1.4% annual growth in the local population, Tampa General projects an increase of patient admissions of 0.9% by the end of the decade, and its largest master facility plan to date will reflect that. In the near term, its renamed pediatric unit is getting an overhaul.

Source: [Tampa General Hospital – master plan](#), [Tampa General Hospital - renovation](#)

Aurora's Mount Pleasant Medical Center on Track to Accept Patients in Feb.

Construction on what will be one of Racine County's two biggest hospitals is now complete, Advocate Aurora Health announced, and on pace with the schedule announced pre-pandemic.

Source: [The Journal Times](#)

Ascension Saint Thomas Rutherford Begins Micro-Hospital Construction

Ascension Saint Thomas Rutherford broke ground on its \$25 million, 32,000-square-foot micro-hospital in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Source: [Main Street Nashville](#)

Penn Medicine Opens \$1.6B Hospital

Penn Medicine will open a \$1.6 billion hospital in Philadelphia at the end of October, marking the completion of one of the largest hospital projects in the U.S.

Source: [Becker's Hospital Review](#)

NexCore to Develop 130,000 SF Medical Office Building for SCL Health in Colorado

The five-story, 130,000-square-foot facility will be the first medical office building on the new 28-acre hospital campus, which will replace SCL Health's existing Lutheran Medical Center.

Source: [REBusiness Online](#)

Woodbury, MN Adds 300 Health-related Businesses in Bid to Become

Medical Zone

The city announced recently that more than 300 health-related businesses have moved into town. “It’s extraordinary the way Woodbury attracts people,” said Brian Delgado, spokesman for Park Dental. “I can’t think of anyone else who is as successful at this as Woodbury.”

Source: [Twin Cities Pioneer Press](#)

HHS Awards Nearly \$1B to 1,300 Health Centers for Renovations that Support Health Equity

The Dept. of Health and Human Services awarded the funds through the American Rescue Plan Act to strengthen the country’s healthcare infrastructure and promote health equity among medically underserved communities.

Source: [Fierce Healthcare](#)

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Association of Medical Facility Professionals To Host

Association of Medical Facility Professionals is hosting the Facilities, Project & Asset Management track at the HCD Conference in Cleveland, Oct. 23-26. More than 30 presenters including multiple health systems present the latest trends, projects, and case studies.

Source: [AMFP](#)

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OPINIONS THAT COUNT

The U.S. Health Care System Isn't Built for Primary Care

Current efforts to wring “value” from primary care by focusing on algorithms and metrics reveal a misunderstanding of primary care’s purpose. At the heart of primary care’s success remains the relationship between physician and patient built on trust.

Source: *Harvard Business Review*

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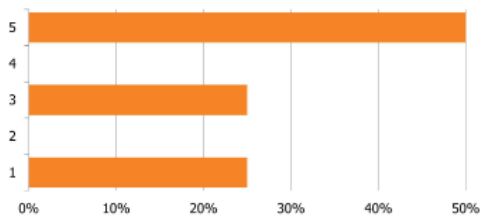
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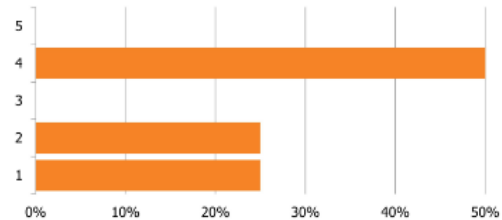
Results From the September Health Facilities Monitor Newsletter

Readers rated five critical issues from least to highest priority with 5 being the highest:

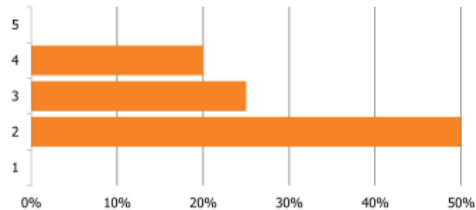
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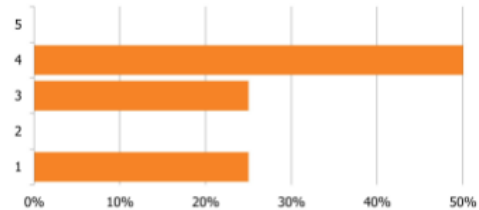
Working off backlog of deferred maintenance and projects



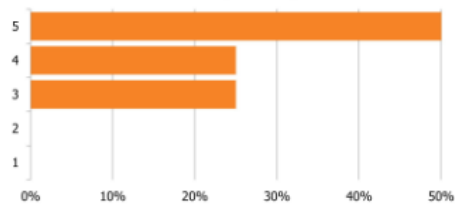
Carrying out the lessons learned from the pandemic



Energy and sustainability goals



Rethinking the existing healthcare built environment and making changes



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Not a new idea, but an area of opportunity."

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- [As New Colorado Hospital Opens, Current Facility Shifts Focus](#)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

[Geographic Information Systems \(GIS\) – Google Maps Meets the Healthcare Built Environment](#)

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