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WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WDH Names New Medicaid Medical Director



Tracey Haas, DO, MPH, FAFP. has been appointed by the Wyoming Department of Health as the new Medicaid Medical Director, effective August 11.

Dr. Haas is a board-certified family physician with more than 20 years of experience in clinical care and health system leadership. She has dedicated her career to improving access to quality care for underserved and vulnerable populations, bringing expertise from her

work as a family physician, WWAMI clinical instructor, and Chief Medical Officer at a Federally Qualified Health Center, as well as prior experience with the Colorado Medicaid program.

In addition to her new role, Dr. Haas serves as Vice President of the Wyoming Medical Society, President of the Wyoming Academy of Family Physicians, and on the Executive Board of the Cathedral Home for Children.

[Read more about Dr. Haas and her role here...](#)

Update: Specialty Infant Formula

Effective August 20, 2025, the Wyoming WIC Program will again serve as the primary source for prescribing and issuing specialty infant formula and enteral nutrition for all WIC participants, including those with Medicaid. Existing Medicaid prior authorizations remain valid until expiration, but new patients or product changes must now be directed through WIC using the standard Medical Documentation Form. This change is intended to streamline patient access and reduce disruptions in care.

The entire letter from the WDH is available [HERE](#).

New Provider Credentialing Form

During the most recent legislative session, lawmakers passed House Bill 82, establishing specific timelines that health insurance carriers must follow when processing health care provider applications and credentialing. One key provision required the Wyoming Department of Insurance (DOI) to promulgate rules creating a [Universal Provider Credentialing Form](#) which hospitals and providers must utilize **Effective July 1, 2025**. This standardization is intended to streamline credentialing, reduce administrative burden, and help providers get to patient care faster.

The form can also be found on the [Department of Insurance website](#), under the Life and Health Section.

WYOMING BOARD OF MEDICINE

Scam Alert

As recently as August 1st, Wyoming physicians and physician assistants are being subjected to phony "license investigation" threats. The caller ID phone number is spoofed to look like the call is coming from the Board of Medicine office. The caller claims the licensee is the subject of a confidential investigation, sometimes involving controlled substances. The caller threatens action against the licensee's license, including making the false allegations public, unless the licensee cooperates. The caller also tells the licensee that the investigation is so confidential, only one or two employees at the Board office are aware of it.

These calls are a complete scam. If you receive a call like this, try to get the name of the person who is calling, then hang up and immediately call the Board of Medicine office at 307-778-7053. The staff at the Board of Medicine will gladly help you verify the legitimacy of any communication you receive that purports to be from the Board of Medicine.

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

UW Overseas Study Tour: The Art and History of Medicine

You are invited to join UW faculty, staff, and alumni this fall on an exploration of the art and history of medicine in London and Paris. Walk through neighborhoods, museums, and famous sites with a focus on developing a deep understanding of the history and culture, particularly as they relate to the development of modern medicine.

[CLICK FOR MORE DETAILS](#)

WMS UPDATES AND NEWS

WWAMI Admissions Committee Opening

The WWAMI Admissions Committee is excited to announce an open position. If you are interested in applying, we encourage you to do so. Please make sure to submit your application by the deadline of **August 11, 2025**.

The Wyoming Admissions Committee consists of four Wyoming-based physicians who are appointed to staggered three-year terms, with the possibility of serving an additional three years.

Committee members are tasked with interviewing Wyoming applicants who meet specific academic qualifications for medical school admission. These interviews take place over one week in January, February, or early March. The interview process begins on Sunday afternoon and concludes the following Friday afternoon. If needed, the University of Washington covers travel and lodging expenses during the interview period. [MORE INFORMATION](#)

[WWAMI Admissions Application Form](#)

WMS Physician of the Year

Dr. Michael Jording of Newcastle was named the 2025 **Physician of the Year**, honoring his decades of dedicated service, leadership in rural healthcare, and contributions to Wyoming medicine. A board-certified family physician, Dr. Jording is celebrated for his clinical excellence, mentorship, and advocacy.

In 2003 and in celebration of the Wyoming Medical Society's 100 year anniversary, Dr. Jording established the [Centennial Scholarship Fund](#) to support Wyoming WWAMI medical students, and he later played a key role in launching the WAFP Medical Student Scholarship. His passion for supporting future generations of physicians is evident in his long-standing commitment to medical education and mentorship.



[Read more about Dr. Jording...](#)

Please join us a this year's *President's Black-Tie Gala* to honor and celebrate Dr. Jording. Registration for the WMS Annual meeting includes one ticket for the gala or if interested, you may purchase a table for the evening's event.

[Register for the Annual Meeting & President's Black-Tie Gala](#)



WMS Partner Updates

Wyoming Telehealth Network

The Wyoming Telehealth Network (WyTN) supports healthcare entities, providers, and specialists to increase access to care and improve health outcomes for Wyomingites, through professional

development, collaboration, and leveraging of telecommunications technology. Click the image below for the most recent newsletter.



Dr. James Bush Award

The Wyoming Telehealth Network (WyTN) is currently accepting nominations for this year's Dr. James Bush Award for Excellence in Telehealth!

This annual award was established in 2022 to recognize a telehealth champion in Wyoming who has accomplished outstanding work in the field of telehealth, including helping to remove barriers to implementation and adoption, innovative programs and activities, technology, patient and/or provider support, education, and training.

The deadline for nominations is **August 25, 2025** and the form can be accessed [HERE](#).

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