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HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN ASSOCIATION (HSCA) NAMES MICHELLE PLEINESS AS NEW CHAIR OF BOARD

HSCA thanks past chair, Tim Bugg, for service to the healthcare supply chain

Washington, D.C. (September 14, 2026) – The Healthcare Supply Chain Association ([HSCA](https://www.supplychainassociation.org)), which represents the nation's leading traditional healthcare group purchasing organizations (GPOs), today announced that HPS Vice President of Member Development and Customer Relations, Michelle Pleiness, will serve as the new chair of HSCA's Board of Directors, replacing Capstone Health Alliance President and CEO Tim Bugg. Pleiness has served on the board of HSCA for over 15 years, holding both treasurer and secretary roles.

"Michelle Pleiness is an industry leader in the healthcare supply chain and has long been a valuable member of HSCA's board of directors. Her experience across different roles on the board and with HPS provides her with a deep understanding of member needs and organizational strategy which will help HSCA and its member GPOs continue to help hospitals, clinics, and other healthcare providers source high-quality products at reasonable prices," said HSCA President and CEO Angie Boliver. "HSCA is grateful to Tim Bugg for his dedicated leadership as Chair, and we look forward to building on the strong foundation he has helped establish."

"I am honored to be named Chair of HSCA's Board of Directors. HSCA has long played a vital role for its member GPOs," said Pleiness. "It is more important than ever protect the ability of GPOs to reduce costs, foster a more resilient supply chain, and help ensure consistent access to medical supplies for healthcare providers and the patients they serve. I look forward to enhancing understanding of the dynamic and critical role of GPOs in the supply chain and advocating for policies that allow hospitals and healthcare providers to deliver first-class patient care."

Pleiness's term began on July 1st of 2026 and will continue until July 2028.

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About the Healthcare Supply Chain Association (HSCA)

The Healthcare Supply Chain Association ([HSCA](https://www.supplychainassociation.org)) represents the nation's leading healthcare group purchasing organizations (GPOs), which are critical cost-savings partners to America's hospitals, nursing homes, nursing home pharmacies, clinics, home healthcare providers, and surgery centers. GPOs deliver billions in savings annually to healthcare providers, Medicare and Medicaid, and taxpayers. HSCA and its member GPOs are committed to delivering the best products at the best value to healthcare providers, increasing competition and innovation in the market, and serving as leaders in transparency and accountability. For more information, visit supplychainassociation.org. Follow HSCA on X (Twitter) [@HSCA](https://twitter.com/HSCA).