

Chapter President's Message

Sommer Bockerstette, President, Southwestern Ohio Chapter of HFMA

t's my sincere pleasure to welcome you to another exciting year with the HFMA Southwestern Ohio Chapter. I am honored to serve as your Chapter President and look forward to a year filled with growth, collaboration and connection.



To our past, present and future sponsors, not only does your financial support help the chapter to provide quality experiences for our members but your willingness to engage and participate in our events is even more appreciated. I've had the privilege of getting to know many of you and can personally say that our membership is so lucky to have you in a seat at the table.

My goal is to renew the spirit of connection and purpose within our local chapter committees, reinforcing that volunteering isn't just about giving back— it's about getting more out of your HFMA experience. Whether you're a longtime member or

just beginning your career, there's a place for you to grow, contribute, and lead within our chapter.

This year, my focus as President is on enhancing the volunteer experience so that we can continue to creatively offer top notch experiences that maintain our chapter's value proposition. During my 10 years of volunteerism with HFMA in various roles that include sponsorship, programming, and networking at both the local and regional level, I've gotten to know first-hand how much work goes into both event planning and strategic chapter planning.

Thank you for being part of the HFMA Southwestern Ohio Chapter. I invite you to join us—get involved, attend an event, volunteer for a committee, or reach out with ideas. Together, we'll make this a year to remember!

Women in Leadership

Our Women in Leadership event was an uplifting event that delved into the topics of leading with authenticity, psychological safety, what makes a winning culture, financial fitness, and mentorship, we thank everyone who attended. From left to right Alicia Henson of Smarter Technologies, Melissa Oribello of Premier Health, Amanda Adkins-Ricci of Premier Health, Sommer Bockerstette of St. Elizabeth Healthcare held April 10th in Cincinnati, OH.

This event had a **76% provider attendance rate.** See you for this year's Women in Leadership on May 14, 2026!



Board Installation



2025-2026 from left to right **Daniel Hosey**, Immediate Past President, **Sommer Bockerstette**. Current president, **Arvind Joshi**, FHFMA, CSAF, President-Elect (not pictured), **Alicia G. Henson**, Vice President, **Katie McIntosh**, Treasurer, **Stacey Bodenstein**, Director, **Jennifer Goins**, Director, **Bryan Gordon**, Director, **Brian Blank**, Director.

Board of directors not picture: **Robert Walters, Scott Kenney, Jodianne Broomall,** & secretary **Melissa Oribello**.



Volunteer Spotlight - Carman Burton

Why I volunteer...

The first time I attended a HFMA event was the Women in Leadership event about 3-4 years ago and I enjoyed the conference; however, I didn't feel the pull to participate. I then attended the LTC when Amanda Adkins-Ricci was president and had the opportunity to speak to the planning and programming chairs Jen Goins and Melissa Oribello and my experience was much more personal. I was excited about getting involved and joined both planning and programming. The excitement of planning events and watching attendees enjoy and participate in these events gives me so much joy. Seeing people excited about the

ideas that our team bought to life is the best feeling. I enjoy volunteering because it gives me an opportunity to gain knowledge and network with other revenue cycle leaders. We share information, best practices and pain points and having that kind of support is vital as a leader. I also get to introduce diverse healthcare workers to the HFMA organization and share my experiences. I hope to encourage more healthcare professionals to join our organization.



Student Spotlight - Eilidh Redfern

Eilidh Redfern is a senior at Xavier University, double-majoring in Finance and Health Services

Administration. While at Xavier, she served as both Secretary and President of the Xavier University Institute for Healthcare Improvement chapter. After her junior year, Eilidh completed an internship with AbbVie Inc., where she supported the U.S.

Commercial Finance — Immunology SG&A team. She is eager to step into a leadership role with HFMA and looks forward to collaborating with Melissa and the other Early Careerist Committee members to expand the committee's reach, strengthen connections between students and the chapter, and create meaningful professional-development opportunities for early careerists.

Upcoming Events – Southwestern Ohio Chapter



Upcoming Education and Programming - Region 6

- October- Northeast Ohio HFMA 2025 Denials Defense: What's in Your Playbook?
- December- Central Ohio HFMA 2025 Holiday Gala



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Sponsorship Opportunities

We have built a sponsorship program to hopefully meet all of your needs. Our business partners are critical to our success. We value your support of our chapter and look forward to working with you in 2025 and beyond. If you need any additional items or have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at any time.

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