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**Hospice News Network**


**ASSOCIATION NEWS**

Save the Date

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015

The Illinois Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (IL-HPCO)

Annual Education Symposium

The Right Care, In the Right Place, At the Right Time

To be held at Memorial Center for Learning and Innovation

Springfield, Illinois

Conference information due out in spring!

Plan to be there!!!!

**LEGISLATIVE NEWS**

Betsy D. Mitchell, MPA
IL/HPCO Legislative Consultant

Betsy D. Mitchell, MPA, IL-HPCO's legislative consultant in Springfield, IL, offers her report on pending
New Governor Sworn In

On Monday, January 12, 2015 Governor Rauner and the other constitutional officers were sworn into office. This was followed by a day of festivities. Governor Rauner has begun the process of naming his directors for the state agencies. As this is being written, directors for the Illinois Department of Healthcare & Family Services nor the Illinois Department of Public Health have been named. These names are expected soon.

On Wednesday, January 14, 2015 new members of the 99th Illinois General Assembly were sworn into office. There are several new faces. Now is a good time for you to introduce yourself to your legislators if you have not done so already. New legislation is beginning to be introduced. I will keep you posted on the new bills.

Important Upcoming Dates

February 4 -- State of the State Address by Governor Rauner
February 18 -- Governor Rauner’s Budget Address
May 31 -- House & Senate Adjournment

Contact Info

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VETERANS' CORNER

No Current Updates

Members - here is the current Hospice-Veterans Partnership groups in Illinois. Please contact the location in your service area if you are interested in becoming involved as a member:
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