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ASHHRA Announces Results of Second Thought Leader Forum

CHICAGO – December 2008 – The American Society for Healthcare Human Resources Administration (ASHHRA), a personal membership group of the American Hospital Association (AHA), convened its second Thought Leader Forum, Saturday, October 11, 2008 in Austin Texas, prior to the 44th ASHHRA Annual Conference and Exposition.

A select group of thought leaders—health care workforce and quality experts— were invited to participate in the two hour session to discuss, "Workforce Issues in Health Care." Results of the session will be compiled in a summary of findings and shared with ASHHRA members, as well as all AHA-member CEOs and participants, and will be made available on the ASHHRA Web site, www.ashhra.org., in January 2009.

Thought Leader Forums, a series under the direction of the ASHHRA Think Tank, provide a vehicle for ASHHRA to garner the most vital health care issues and trends to help its members become well-equipped to successfully lead their organizations into the future. A third Thought Leader Forum, "The Role of HR in Advancing Operational Efficiencies," is scheduled for July 2009 in San Francisco at the 17th Annual Health Forum and AHA Leadership Summit.

"As HR leaders, part of our responsibility is to stay ahead of the trends that could potentially affect the health care industry," said ASHHRA President Jeanene Martin. "At the second Forum in October, I was privileged to be a part of an energizing and forward-thinking discussion resulting in many new and innovative ideas for the future."

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