Greetings!

What a year! As we get ready to wind things down for the year, we wanted to let you know about our holiday schedule:

We will be taking a couple of weeks off to enjoy the holidays. We are 'closed' starting December 21, 2020 through the New Year. What this means for you:

- We have no events taking place
- We may not return your email or phone calls until the New Year
- If you are already a professional member and you need to change your profile, you can log in and do that but staff may not be able to make changes or respond if you have difficulties
- If you want to join with our special $65 Professional Member rate, you must submit your application BEFORE January 1, 2021 (rates increase to $100). Your application will NOT be processed until January 5, 2021. We encourage you to apply or renew before December 21.
- Public inquiries submitted during this time may not be fulfilled/completed or may be significantly delayed (although the Advocate Directory will be working).

January 1-8, 2021 we will be changing over our systems from WASHAA to HealthAdvocateX. This essentially means that our systems may be down (or unavailable during certain periods) and our websites, phones, emails may not work perfectly during this time. We pride ourselves on being responsive but
we ask that you practice patience as we are converting our systems to upgrade to a more modern, functional platform.

NOTE: We will be doing our best to launch our website, WWW.HEALTHADVOCATEX.ORG, but our www.washaa.org website will be available until all aspects of our new website function without incidence.

We are also planning for 2021 and have now posted our calendar of events - please take note of regularly scheduled Community Conversations, Networking Events and our Annual Conference will be scheduled for November 4-5, 2021.

Although this has been a challenging year, there have been many reasons to be grateful. THANK YOU for continuing to participate in our community. We are very hopeful that 2021 will be a time to celebrate, to see one another and do more together!

Wishing you a safe and joyful holiday season!

From the Team at HealthAdvocateX

Join Us As WASHAA / HealthAdvocateX - Professional Membership Rates ($65) Go Up Jan 1, 2021
Please join our community of more than 1,500 people by becoming a
member. Select a membership level that fits your background and interest
by visiting our new temporary website at www.HealthAdvocateX.org.

**WASHAA Calendar**

**Mark Your Calendar - Join WASHAA! Public Presentations, Trainings, Networking Events, and More!**

January 11: 2021 Updates on COVID-19 ([Register Here](#))
February 4: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
February 8: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
March 3: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
March 8: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
April 7: Case Review (for Professional & Partner Members only)
April 12: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
May 6: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
May 10: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
June 3: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
June 14: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
July 8: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
July 12: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
August 4: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
August 9: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
September 9: Case Review (for Professional & Partner Members only)
September 13: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
October 7: Professional Networking ([Register Here](#))
October 11: Community Conversation ([Register Here](#))
November 5-6: HealthAdvocateX Annual Conference **SAVE THE DATE!**
WASHAA Programs & Presentations

Although WASHAA speakers can give presentations on many topics, here are a few of our popular presentations:

- Advance Care Planning (In partnership with Honoring Choices)
- Taming Your Medicine Cabinet
- The ABCs of an Effective Doctor Visit
- Patient Know More...Patient No More!
- The Emerging Field of Health Advocacy
- Safe & Sound in the Hospital: A Short Course in Patient Safety
- Volunteer Health Advocate Training: Understanding the Role & Skills to Be Effective

To schedule a speaker for your community, please submit your request here: [http://www.washaa.org/request-a-presentation.html](http://www.washaa.org/request-a-presentation.html)

Have a topic you wish we offered? Let us know - let's talk!

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*Do you have something you would like to share with the HealthAdvocateX community?*

*Please submit ideas to info@healthadvocatex.org*

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