



ROCKY MOUNTAIN AHRMM NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Rocky Mountain AHRMM leads the development of the West Region AHRMM

It's hard to believe how dramatically the world changed exactly one year ago. The Rocky Mountain AHRMM (RM-AHRMM) was scheduled to have our Spring Conference on April 20th at the University of Utah and we were excited about how our chapter was growing and developing.

When we realized that due to COVID we would have to cancel our Spring Conference and we wouldn't have an in-person Fall Conference, we had an important decision to make; cancel chapter activity until the pandemic cleared or move to virtual meetings.

Although none of the RM-AHRMM team was well versed in the technology for conducting online meetings, let alone conferences, the team was unanimous in their determination to keep the chapter active during this most difficult of times and hold a virtual Fall Conference. What happened from there turned out to be transformational.

Not only did the RM-AHRMM board step up and create a virtual Fall Conference, we partnered with the Arizona and Colorado chapters to create a new group, the West Region AHRMM (WAHRMM). The WAHRMM team is led by board members of the RM-AHRMM, the Arizona Healthcare Materials Management Association (AHMMA) and the Colorado AHRMM (CAHRMM)

and welcomes members from AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, UT and WY. Through this collaboration we are expanding opportunities for education, training and networking on a regional basis.

The WAHRMM team collaborated to create our upcoming Spring Conference in April and moving forward we plan to have a regional event each year, rotating the location between Arizona, Colorado and Utah and building AHRMM's presence and value in the region.

The people on the RM-AHRMM board put in a lot of time, effort and care into this organization and rarely, if ever, get recognized so I'd like to offer my thanks and kudos to the individuals who make up this awesome team.

- For being always being there at a moment's notice, working through complex issues, providing invaluable insights and basically doing whatever it takes, I'd like to present **Daniel Levetan** and **Niki Hamilton** with the **"Got Your Back" Award**.
- For being the technical gurus and the men behind the scenes who make all of our communications run smoothly I'd like to present **Dan Duersch**, **Bryson Cutler** and **Craig Burton** the **"Wizard of Oz" Award**.
- For keeping their hands on the wheel, making sure that we've got all the bases covered and keeping the chapter steady I'd like to present **Beau Glines**, **Rick Caywood** and **Toby Johnson** with the **"Like a Rock" Award**.

- For taking one for the team, becoming the Treasurer and working through the biggest headaches and challenges of the year, I'd like to present **John Cox** with the **"You're Treasurer for Life/No Good Deed Goes Unpunished, but Seriously Thanks!" Award**.

- And for coming back to the board and immediately taking the bull by the horns and leading the reinvention of our newsletter I'd like to present **Adam Slater** with the **"Prodigal Son" Award**.

None of our work at the RM-AHRMM would be possible without the most important link in this chain, Craig Burton Web Developer/Designer of Med One Group. Craig has been a tireless

resource not only for the RM-AHRMM but also for the Colorado AHRMM and the WAHRMM. Craig developed the website, updates all of our communications, helps provide membership communications and emails, designs the logos and basically does everything related to marketing. Without him I sincerely don't think we would have been able to do all we have. For **Craig Burton**, I hope you will all join me in presenting him with the **"RM-AHRMM MVP 2021."**

I'm proud to be a part of this team and we're looking to an exciting future with our colleagues here in Utah as well as our new friends in the West Region AHRMM.

TIM LOFTIS Co-President, RM-AHRMM

WAHRMM Spring Conference

The Rocky Mountain AHRMM in association with the West Region AHRMM (WAHRMM) is excited to announce the 2021 WAHRMM Spring Virtual Conference. This regional collaboration between the Arizona, Colorado and Utah chapters of AHRMM is our second regional virtual conference and will feature speakers and events you won't want to miss.

As we start to emerge from the shadow of COVID, the WAHRMM team seeks to bring us all back to some sense of normalcy and return to our favorite topics revolving around supply chain. In this three-part series on April 15, 22 and 29th from 2-4:30 pm, we bring together experts from AZ, CO and UT to discuss Environmental Sustainability, Patient Safety and Finance.

In addition, we are excited to feature networking rooms in our Spring Conference so we can still interact virtually as we are still physically distanced. Our Sponsors will lead a guided networking event with attendees across the region and provide

instructions on how to network in the times of COVID. The networking will focus on using LinkedIn's mobile app, so be sure to download LinkedIn on your mobile device ahead of time and be ready to grow your network.

The conference sessions are listed below along with links to registration. During our Fall Conference we had between 50 and 60 attendees per session and we're hoping that we will continue to grow these events, so make sure to register and sign up soon. We look forward to seeing you in April!

You must be a member to register, but membership is free at this time.

Register for events here:

www.rockymtnahrmm.com/meeting-schedule

Become a member here:

www.rockymtnahrmm.com/membership-account/membership

DATES AND TOPICS

April 15th: 2-4:30 PM (MDT)
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

April 22nd: 2-4:30 PM (MDT)
PATIENT SAFETY

April 29th: 2-4:30 PM (MDT)
FINANCE