Welcome Advisors
New updates and Process for 2027

Welcome to the mandatory advisor meeting. Today we'll cover

- Important updates to the California HOSA competition structure
- New events
- Chapter requirements for the upcoming year





Competitive Events Program

Motivation

The Competitive Events Program is designed to motivate HOSA members. It provides a system for recognizing the competencies developed through Health science class instruction, related job training, and HOSA-related activities.

Competency Recognition

The program recognizes the competencies developed through various means. This includes Health science classes, related job training, and HOSA-related activities.

Knowledge, Skills, and Leadership

Competitive events allow HOSA members to improve their knowledge, skills, and leadership. HOSA events focus on these areas, providing practical applications and real-world scenarios.

Competitor Divisions

Middle School Events

This division is for competitors in grades 6-8. They compete in events that are designed to be age-appropriate and challenging. The goal of this division is to introduce students to the world of healthcare and provide them with the opportunity to develop their skills and knowledge.

High School Events

The Secondary division is for competitors in grades 9-12. The events are designed to prepare students for the rigors of a healthcare career. Secondary competitors are often on their way to college, which will help them prepare for the next step in their journey.

Post-Secondary and Collegiate

This division is for college/university students with deeper healthcare knowledge and experience. They are highly competitive, ready for the next level.



CATEGORIES FOR COMPETIVE EVENTS

HEALTH SCIENCE

HEALTH PROFESSIONS

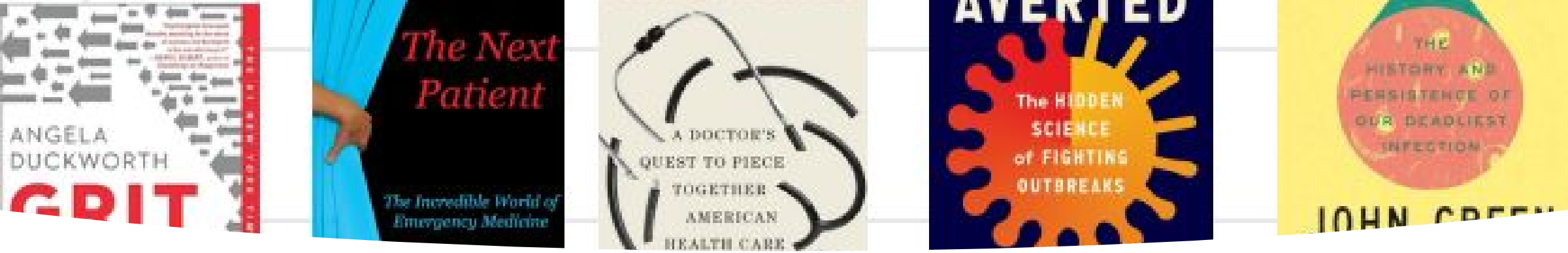
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

LEADERSHIP

TEAMWORK

RECOGNITION

ATC TESTING



Updates

New Events or Name Changes

- Foundations of Pharmacy Science-(Middle School)
- Foundations of Medical Math -formerly called Math for Health Careers (Middle School)
- Patient Care Technician- (Secondary/Postsecondary)
- Assisting Ohio by Piloting two tests- CEQ and SLC - Veterinary Science Terminology and Medical and Legal Ethics of Veterinary Science (These two tests will not count as a Red event selection)

Note for CEO Online testing - Jan. 19-25,2027 at your local chapter

- All Secondary/Postsecondary testing 50 question 60 minutes
  - **Except Medical Math remains at 50 Questions 90 min**
- All Middle School CE Qualifying Health Science Tests 35 Questions 60 min

Testing for SLC

- Healthcare Issues Exam, Organizational Leadership and State Officer Candidate tests will be done online for SLC on Feb 22-26, 2027 at your local chapter
- Round 2 Testing will be done in-person at SLC 50 question 60 minutes , **Medical Math remains at 50 Questions 90 min,** Middle School Health Science Tests 35 Questions 60 min
- ATC Testing will be in-person at SLC-Each test costs $5.00 - **NO free tests**

Note for CEQ Digital Uploads- Jan 21, 2027 by 6:00pm

- **Will only be able to upload what the guidelines require**

  1 pdf or 1 Link (a couple events will allow both 1 pdf and 1 link per the guideline)

Digital Uploads for SLC

None

Register Email with HATS Member activity Tracking System

Why? This will allow you to add community services hours for Barbara James and American Red Cross Chapter Recognition

Most importantly You will have created your Login and Password needed for the HOSA App that will be used this year. Register by Feb 12, 2027 to ensure you are logged into the APP.

Recognition Events

· Blood Drive (sponsor tracking) Includes MS

· ARC Chapter (HATS)

· ARC Diversify the Blood Donor Pool (Sponsor)

· Barbara James (HATS) Includes MS

· **AI Diagnostics NEW (ILC ONLY)**

· Healthcare Issues (Test online for SLC) February 22 - 26, 2027

· EWBC – Wufoo Form upload by March 11 – NO interview at SLC – 60% receives certificate only Includes MS

· Health Literacy Ambassador Complete Level 1 & 2 & upload by March 11, 2026 Includes MS to be recognized.

· HOSA Happenings Register at CEQ– need to receive an 80 points to be recognized – upload by Feb 26,2027 to be Virtually judged Includes MS

· HOSA Service Project (Sponsor Tracking) Includes MS

· Hilarity for Charity (Sponsor Tracking)





CE STATE QUALIFYING EVENT (CEQ)

CE State Qualifier Event Registration & Proctor Designation Mandatory Event for SLC Competitive Events

Need to be affiliated before you can register for CEQ

November 10 – December 3, 2026

Reminder-Competition Process:

Step 1: CE State Qualifying Event (Virtual)

To compete at SLC, competitors must first qualify through the virtual CE State Qualifying Event.

- Some events require online tests
- Others require digital uploads (videos, resumes, slideshows, etc.)
- Materials judged virtually

Qualified competitors list will be posted in the NEW HOSA App & Website? Feb 2, 2027 First & Last Initial

Step 2:State Leadership Conference (SLC) Registration Feb 4-12, 2027

Only competitors who qualified from Step 1 can compete at the SLC

Competition Process:

Step 2: Test-Only Events

If the event is test-only competitors take the state test at the conference using scantrons.

Secondary, Post Secondary events

HEALTH SCIENCE CATEGORY: Behavioral Health, Biomedical Equipment Tech, Dental Terminology, Health Informatics, Healthcare Administration, Human Growth and Development, Medical Law and Ethics, Medical Math, Medical Reading, Medical Terminology, Nutrition, Pathophysiology, Pharmacology, and World Health and Disparities

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CATEGORY: Epidemiology

Middle School events

HEALTH SCIENCE CATEGORY: Health Career Exploration, Foundations of Medical Terminology, Foundations of Medical Reading, Foundations of Nutrition, and Foundations of Medical Math

Top 5 finalists announced at awards session.

Competition Process:

Step 2: Round 1 & Round 2 Events

Competitors who qualified in events with a Round 1 test will take it at the conference.

Secondary, Post Secondary events

HEALTH SCIENCE CATEGORY: Medical Spelling

HEALTH PROFESSIONS CATEGORY: Biotechnology, Clinical Laboratory Science, Clinical Nursing, Dental Science, Medical Assisting, Nursing Assisting, Patient Care Technician, Pharmacy Science, Phlebotomy, Physical Therapy, Sports Medicine, and Veterinary Science

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CATEGORY: CERT Skills, CPR/First Aid, and Emergency Medical Technician

LEADERSHIP CATEGORY: Healthy Living

TEAMWORK CATEGORY: Biomedical Debate, Creative Problem Solving, Forensic Science, and HOSA Bowl

Middle School

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CATEGORY: Life Threatening Situations

HEALTH PROFESSIONS CATEGORY: Foundations of Pharmacy Science, Foundations of Veterinary Science

LEADERSHIP CATEGORY: Foundations of Healthy Living

TEAMWORK CATEGORY: Dynamic Decisions and Foundations of HOSA Bowl

Top scoring competitors advance to Round 2

Competition Process:

Step 2: Digital Upload Events

Only competitors who qualified will receive an appointment or event time posted on the HOSA App and/Cal-HOSA website ? First & Last Initial February 2, 2027

No additional uploads needed for SLC - judges' scores from CE State Qualifier Event are added to the in-person presentation score for the following events.

Secondary, Post Secondary events

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CATEGORY: Mental Health Promotion and Public Health

LEADERSHIP CATEGORY: Extemporaneous Writing-Health Policy, Health Career Photography, Interviewing Skills, Job Seeking Skills, Researched Persuasive Writing and Speaking, Research Poster, Prepared Speaking, and Speaking Skills

TEAMWORK CATEGORY: Community Awareness, Health Career Display, Health Education, Medical Innovation, and Public Service Announcement

Middle School

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CATEGORY: Public Health

LEADERSHIP CATEGORY: Extemporaneous Health Poster, Prepared Speaking and Speaking Skills

TEAMWORK CATEGORY: Health Career Display, Health Education, and Exploring Medical Innovation

Only competitors who qualified will receive an appointment or event time

Note additional information:

- **SLC:** will have 3 Online Tests only at your local chapter from February 22-26, 2027.
  - Healthcare Issues Exam
  - State officer Candidate (SOC) Exam
  - Organizational Leadership Exam used for ILC Voting delegate selection
- Make sure to check the guidelines to prepare for your event.
- Check to see if the event has a Project Display requirement.
- Remember to go to Cal-HOSA to refer to the Guidelines, we don't offer all events as HOSA



What Has Changed for the better

> Competitors can only select one red event and one blue event to compete in for the CE State Qualifier Event, then any green event and any brown event for SLC.
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> During registration you will only be able to select 1 "Red" and One other event "Blue"
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> - Middle School will only see middle school events
> - SS/PS will only see SS/PS events

This color-coding system helps students understand which events they can participate in simultaneously without scheduling conflicts.

Chapter Requirements:

Required Forms

All chapters must submit:

- **ONLINE Proctor Confidentiality Forms**
- **Event Personnel & all Advisor Confidentiality Forms**

These forms ensure the integrity of Competitive Events and must be completed before the online testing begins December 3, 2026.

Event personnel may include Advisors and chaperones for the Testing center at SLC. Confidentiality Forms by February 12, 2027

Only need to complete the confidentiality form one time.



CE State Qualifying Event Advisor Requirements:

- Advisors before you enable proctor, send the link for confidentiality form and have them sign
- Enable or Add a proctor for your chapter - they will be disabled if they have NOT signed the confidentiality form
- Schedule a location & time at your school for online testing between the designated testing window January 19-25, 2027
- Register your students for events they want to compete in following the rules mentioned above
- Register ALL advisors so you will be able to choose your event assignment. No cost for advisor for CEQ
- Cost for students competing is $25.00
- Pay your invoices on time



Chapter Mandatory Participation:

State Leadership Conference

REGISTER AND SELECT YOUR EVENT DURING CEQ REGISTRATION (*November 10-December 3) - Options

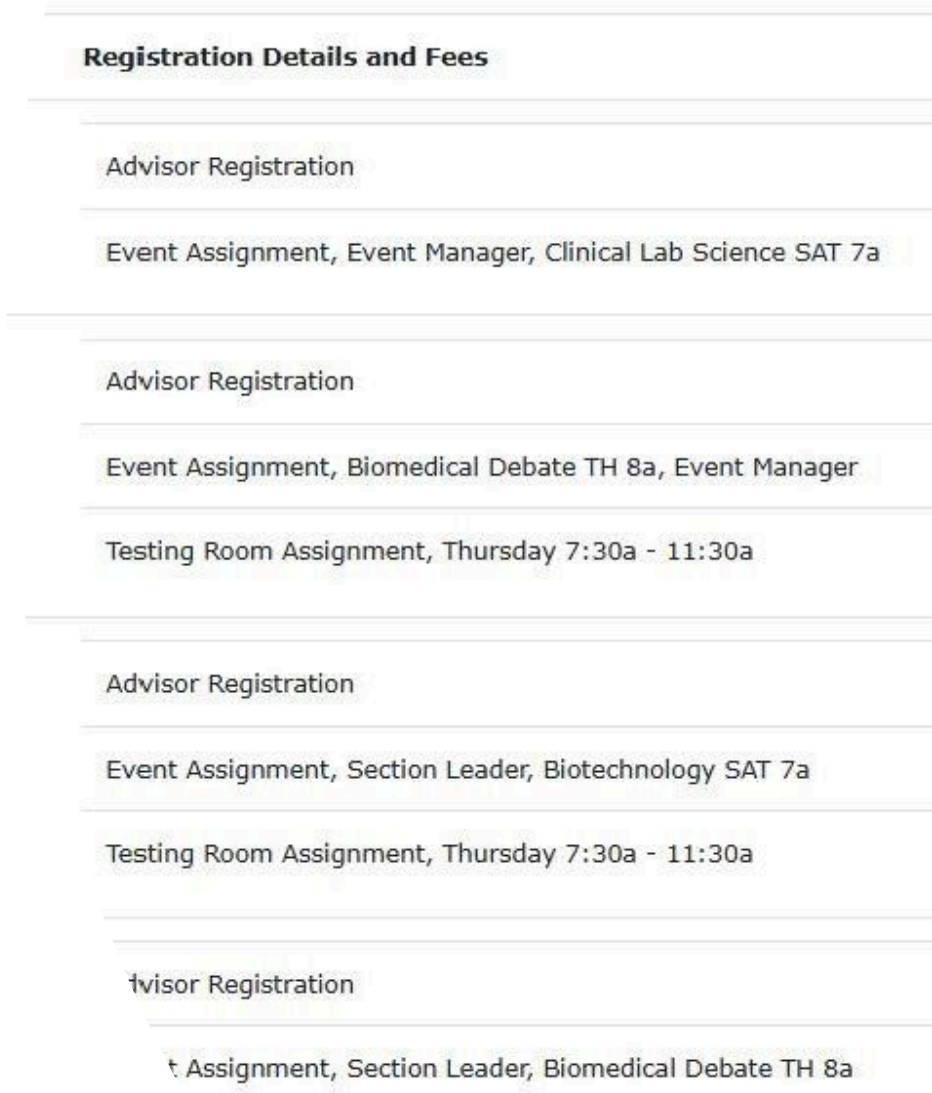
Advisor Participation -This will be done during CEQ Registration

Advisors must sign up to assist with one CE event at the conference - this will be done during CEQ registration AND

Chapter Representatives - This will be done during SLC Registration

Two adults from each chapter must assist with testing at the conference

These requirements ensure we have enough support to run all events smoothly and provide the best experience for our competitors. Your participation is essential to the success of our conference. You can sign up DURING REGISTRATION





NEW ADVISOR MENTOR – ANGELA HEFTER

- ✓ Provide guidance and support to advisors in their first and second years with HOSA
- ✓ Email and hosting online sessions throughout the year, covering a variety of topics designed to support new advisors

Email:
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IMPORTANT DATES CALENDAR

Upload de arquivo



Questions? use the Contact Form to complete your question

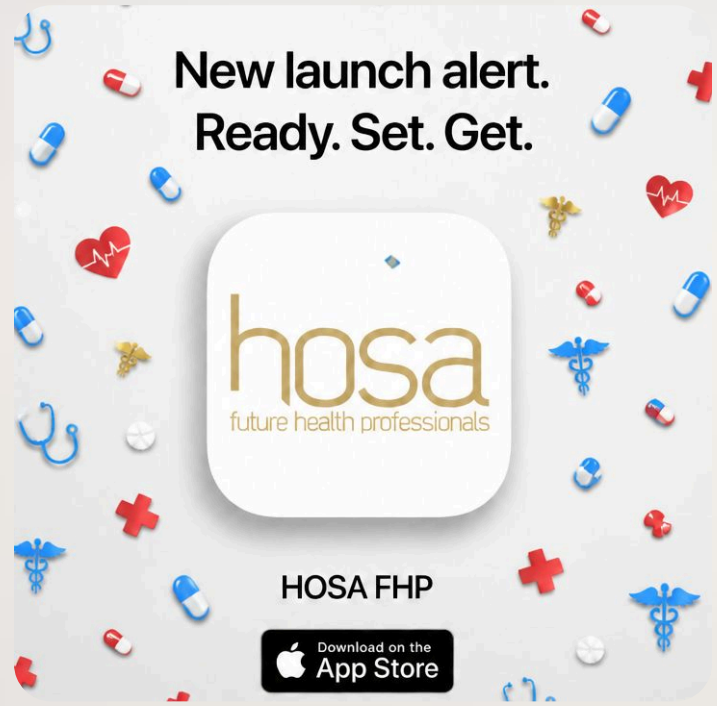
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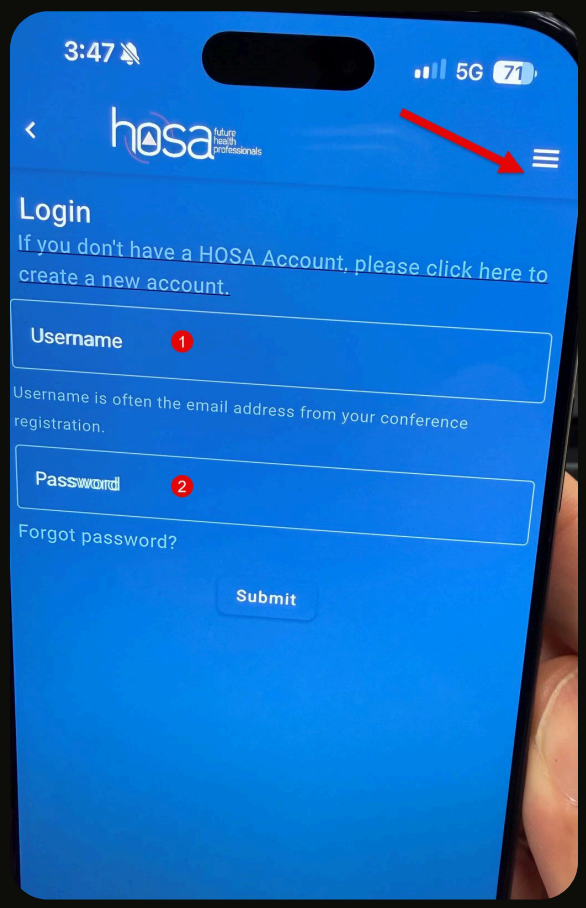
Apple Store

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- Agenda, Workshops, Tracks, Appt Times, Announcements, Expo and Maps

- Remember to register your email with Member Activity Tracking System to ensure you will have access to the APP. Advisors make sure to affiliate with a personal email if possible or one that will accept emails from HOSA.





We're Here to Support You!

Have a Great Fall Leadership Conference!



Thank you for attending this mandatory advisor meeting. We appreciate your dedication to HOSA and your students' success in healthcare education.

Remember, we are here to support YOU! Please reach out with any questions about these changes or if you need assistance implementing them with your chapter.

CAL-HOSA Competitive Events Team

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Competitive Events Director, leading the strategic vision and management of the CAL-HOSA Competitive Events program.

Janet Gower

Deputy Competitive Events Director, supporting Dee & Diane in overseeing the day-to-day operations and execution of the Competitive Events.

Diane Bartosch

Communications and Technology Director, responsible for promoting the Competitive Events and leveraging digital tools to enhance the participant experience.

Betty McPeak

Former Advisor, former Board Chair, Lt for Teamwork, Wealth of knowledge to help with planning for Competitive Events

Email

If you have any questions about the Competitive Events program, please reach out to the Competitive Events Team via email. You can contact the team at the following form: **Contact Form** Feel free to send your questions anytime, and the team will get back to you as soon as possible. Check out the HOSA website for **FAQ**.