SCHEDULE

INFLUENTIAL MANAGEMENT

OCTOBER 19-22, 2026

All Strategic Essential Sessions will be in Paradise Ballroom 3.
Breaks and Lunch will take place in Paradise Ballroom 4-7.

MONDAY

Registration and Breakfast with Exhibits	**7:15 - 8:15 a.m.**
Welcome Remarks *Kierstin Cates Kennedy, MD, MSHA, SFHM*	**8:15 - 8:25 a.m.**
Influence Under Constraint: Leading Across Systems in Times of Complexity and Crisis *Kirsten Nieto, MD*	**8:25 - 10:00 a.m.**
Break with Exhibits	**10:00 - 10:15 a.m.**
Influence Under Constraint: Leading Across Systems in Times of Complexity and Crisis (Continued) *Kirsten Nieto, MD*	**10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Lunch with Exhibits	**12:00 - 1:00 p.m.**
When the Going Gets Tough, Improvise! Advanced Communication Skills for Hospital Leaders *Mary Fredrickson, MD and* *Ankit Mehta, MD, FACP, SFHM*	**1:00 - 2:45 p.m.**
Break with Exhibits	**2:45 - 3:00 p.m.**
When the Going Gets Tough, Improvise! Advanced Communication Skills for Hospital Leaders (Continued) *Mary Fredrickson, MD and* *Ankit Mehta, MD, FACP, SFHM*	**3:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

TUESDAY

Breakfast with Exhibits	**7:15 - 8:15 a.m.**
Advanced Topics in Hospital Finances *Brian Harte, MD, MHM*	**8:15 - 10:30 a.m.**
Break with Exhibits	**10:30 - 10:45 a.m.**
Advanced Topics in Hospital Finances (Continued) *Brian Harte, MD, MHM*	**10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Lunch on Own	**12:00 - 1:00 p.m.**

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WEDNESDAY

Breakfast	**7:15 - 8:15 a.m.**
Leadership Practices That Are Proven to Work *Russell L. Holman, MD, MHM*	**8:15 - 10:15 a.m.**
Break	**10:15 - 10:30 a.m.**
Problem-Solving Current Challenges *Russell L. Holman, MD, MHM*	**10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Lunch	**12:00 - 1:00 p.m.**
From Operator to System Leader: Leading People, Performance, and Change *Rachel Cyrus, MD, FACP, SFHM*	**1:00 - 2:45 p.m.**
Break	**2:45 - 3:00 p.m.**
From Operator to System Leader: Leading People, Performance, and Change (Continued) *Rachel Cyrus, MD, FACP, SFHM*	**3:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

THURSDAY

Breakfast	**7:00 - 8:00 a.m.**
Authentic Leadership in Action *Khaalisha Ajala, MD, MBA, FHM*	**8:00 - 9:30 a.m.**
Break	**9:30 - 9:45 a.m.**
Authentic Leadership in Action (Continued) *Khaalisha Ajala, MD, MBA, FHM*	**9:45 - 11:45 a.m.**

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