Illinois Health Care Association to Hold
67th Annual Convention and Expo in Peoria

Peoria, IL – The Illinois Health Care Association (IHCA) will host its 67th Annual Convention and Expo September 11-14 at the Peoria Civic Center and the Peoria Marriott Pere Marquette. A must-attend event for those involved in long term care in Illinois, this program brings together staff, management and owners of skilled nursing centers, assisted living centers and centers/programs for the developmentally disabled, giving them the opportunity to network with their peers, as well as expo exhibitors, from around the state and beyond.

More than 1,000 long term care professionals will be present at this year’s conference, representing more than 100 centers from around the state. This year’s convention theme is Quality: The Ultimate Frontier. This theme was chosen to reflect the emphasis long term care puts on excellence—with a Star Trek theme! “Change is the essential process of all existence,” according to Dr. Spock. Big changes are happening throughout long term care – that’s why it takes out-of-this-world individuals to oversee and work through these changes.

The festivities will officially kick off on Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 9 a.m. at the Peoria Civic Center with the Opening General Session and Awards Presentation, featuring the IHCA Associate Member of the Year Award and the IHCA Excellence Award for Long Term Care Centers, followed by keynote presentations by ACHA President and CEO Mark Parkinson and humorist Jeanne Robertson. The Expo opens at 11 a.m. with nearly 150 exhibits, offering attendees the opportunity to see the latest technology and services in the profession. Attendees will also have the opportunity to choose from more than 100 educational sessions taking place during the convention and to network with their peers.

The 2017 LTCNA Nursing Awards will be presented Wednesday morning at Ovations: A Celebration of Long Term Care Nurses at the Peoria Marriott Pere Marquette. Also returning this year, Wednesday, Sept. 13 is Assisted Living Day! This day will feature sessions specifically catering to assisted and supportive living facilities.

The Illinois Health Care Association is a non-profit organization comprised of more than 500 licensed and certified long term care facilities and programs throughout the state. Its members are comprised of proprietary and non-proprietary facilities which represent skilled, intermediate, developmentally disabled, skilled pediatric, assisted living and sheltered levels of care. IHCA seeks to promote the highest standard of services in facilities and programs for the elderly and physically and mentally challenged.

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