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**MORGAN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD
MEMBERS COMPLETE STATE
CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

MADISON – Members of Morgan Memorial Hospital’s Authority Board have completed the Georgia Hospital Association (GHA) Trustee Certification Program. Newly-certified board members Terry Evans, Sarah Burbach and John Milliken were honored at the recent annual GHA Hospital Trustee Conference in Greensboro, Ga. This certification program is designed to bring hospital trustees up to speed on the financial complexities of the hospital field, promote best hospital governance practices, and encourage the coordination of health care services and the best use of resources.

“This is a tremendous accomplishment for these valuable members of our hospital board,” said Brandon Jolley, Interim CEO of Morgan Memorial Hospital. “This investment of their personal time into being more educated, informed hospital board members underscores their commitment to making MMH the best it can be. They are fostering a standard of governance excellence that will benefit everyone who utilizes our hospital.”

By completing the program, MMH Board Members are now able to demonstrate to their communities, lawmakers, regulators, physicians, employees, business and other community stakeholders that they not only understand and embrace the need for governance accountability, but have also formally certified their adherence to governance best practices.

“The GHA Trustee Certification Program was created last year with the recognition that the public’s confidence in governance of all levels of American business had been severely weakened,” explained GHA President Joe Parker. “This certification program was designed to foster a high standard of accountability and excellence at the highest leadership levels of the hospital. We’re excited that so many hospital trustees throughout the state are participating in this program and we congratulate those who have already reached certification status. It’s a great accomplishment.”

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Individual trustees achieved certification by completing education on health care and leadership topics. They were required to complete 12 hours of approved course work per year to meet the requirements for the certification. At least four of the 12 hours were completed by attending in-person programs.

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