

*"Reputation is what others think about you. What's far more important is character, because that is what you think about yourself."*

- Billie Jean King

1. **Wednesday Webinar: Color Thru Health Science** **Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024 3pm CST** Register at: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#). Introducing Color thru Health Science- a collection of coloring review pages full of information about health science topics. Bundled together in a collection, Color thru PCT can also be used individually in any health science classroom. Currently 25 total topics: **Scope of Practice, Patient's Rights, Med Terms, Infection Control, First Aid/CPR, Patient Safety, Basic Positions, Ambulating/Transferring Patients, ADLs, Vital Signs, Surgery, Specimens, Nutrition & Hydration, Skin/Wounds, ROM, Ostomy Care, Diabetes, Hospice/Post-Mortem Care, Phlebotomy, Order of Draw, EKG**. Color thru PCT is a coloring resource used to help with preparing a student to take the National Certification Exam (CPCT). Used complementary with Patient Care Technician curriculum, full of tidbits of helpful info about all things PCT. Plenty of room to add more notes/doodles for review.
2. New estimates project **deaths from drug-resistant infections to rise by 70% by 2050**, claiming roughly 2 million lives per year ([More](#)) | What are superbugs, and where do they come from? ([More](#))
3. In case you missed it, the Oprah Winfrey Special "**AI and the Future of Us**" was very well done! Description: *Exploring the profound impact of artificial intelligence on people's daily lives, demystifying the technology and empowering viewers to understand and navigate the rapidly evolving AI future. Great to show your students! Watch now: [AI and the Future of Us: An Oprah Winfrey Special - ABC.com](#)*
4. **Researchers link obesity with fatty buildup around neurons in the brain's appetite control center; substance may be responsible for insulin resistance in diabetic patients** ([More](#)) | **Blood sugar, insulin, and diabetes explained** ([More](#), w/video)
5. **FTC sues drug intermediaries for allegedly inflating insulin prices**. The Federal Trade Commission accuses the three largest pharmacy benefit managers—CVS' Caremark Rx, Cigna's Express Scripts, and UnitedHealth's OptumRx—of illegally overcharging for insulin used by diabetes patients. The three PBMs control 80% of all prescriptions filled in the US, deciding which drugs are covered and often setting patient out-of-pocket costs.
6. For over 23 years this presenter has asked students the question "**How many people in your life are happy?**" It's amazing the number of people that struggle to come up with even one. What if we encouraged students to live from a place of purpose, rather than happiness? [CharacterStrong](#)
7. **Oklahoma CareerTech sets goal to increase enrollment by 15%** Oklahoma CareerTech's systemwide enrollments increased 6.5% to 521,612 in fiscal 2024, a byproduct of adding more than 240 CareerTech programs in Oklahoma school districts and increased funding for career readiness training. But that's not the end of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education's story. During Thursday's meeting of the State Board of Career and Technology Education, Oklahoma CareerTech officials announced a goal to increase systemwide enrollments another 15% to a record high of 599,854 in fiscal 2029. That includes increasing PK-12 enrollments 10% from 143,114 to 157,425 and full-time secondary technology center enrollments 25% from 20,396 to 25,495. Oklahoma CareerTech State Director Brent Haken said the goal is ambitious but realistic and is based on a series of moves to make career and technology education more available to students, including new graduation requirements that promote career readiness. Read more on the Oklahoma CareerTech website.
8. [CharacterStrong](#): Working with students is an incredibly rewarding job, but also comes with real challenges. Today's strategy **will help you in those moments where a student may push your buttons** so much so, that you may respond in a way that you may regret immediately.
9. Consider applying for an **ACTE Award** through their portal! (**HSE Outstanding Career and Technical Educator Award, HSE Outstanding Service Award, HSE Teacher of the Year, or HSE Scholarship**) Below, I included step-by-step instructions with screenshots of the ACTE Awards Portal on how to edit your application. A link has been provided that takes you directly to the Awards Portal. Make our VP of HSE (LaDonna Selvidge) day  
**Instructions:**

Click on the ACTE Awards Portal Link: <https://acte.secure-platform.com/>

Screenshot #1: Awards Portal Home Page (Link: <https://acte.secure-platform.com/>)

- Go to "Awards & Scholarships" drop down menu.
- Click on Divisions.
- Click on Health Science Education



10. During our LTC meeting for the Instructional Framework I was asked if the 10 hours of required Alzheimers' training is included in the 75-hour minimum, or if it was separate. I received an email back from Lindsey Jeffries and she confirmed it is 75 PLUS 10 hours, so truly, our minimum in Oklahoma is 85 hours.
11. Don't forget that Friday, September 27 is the deadline for registration for Fall Leadership Conference! Students attending will need to be affiliated into your chapter prior to registration! How student information is entered into the HOSA Management System is how it will be seen on stage if your student wins at Internationals, so please watch spelling and capitalizations!
12. The next Virtual LTCNA Workshop will be held via Zoom October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30am – 11:30am. Registration is now open and will close September 30<sup>th</sup>. Click the link below to register. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ltcna-instructorcoordinator-workshop-virtual-tickets-1015341673277> The Zoom link to join the workshop & final agenda will be sent to registrants on Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions or problems registering – please contact Justin Siler or Andrea Bradley.
13. We have been having instructional framework meetings to determine curriculum hours for the past three weeks. Video recordings of the meetings can be found on our youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWRqmDGAf55E05cs8cpyDEw>. You may also use this list to look up the meeting you'd like to watch. Those upcoming still (EMS, Dental and Rehabilitation Services) have links to join the meeting:

Behavioral Medicine	NO PARTICIPANTS
Dental Service:	<a href="https://zoom.us/j/94619669144?pwd=c2G2VTnRNcaCCrsgpDL4s1KHOrZ4l2.1">https://zoom.us/j/94619669144?pwd=c2G2VTnRNcaCCrsgpDL4s1KHOrZ4l2.1</a>
Emergency Serv:	<a href="https://zoom.us/s/98155587641?pwd=OIAMb4fYwjvOfIbnxr0frCouWdX9sO.1">https://zoom.us/s/98155587641?pwd=OIAMb4fYwjvOfIbnxr0frCouWdX9sO.1</a>
Medical Imaging	<a href="#">Launch Meeting - Zoom</a>
Medical Services—MA	<a href="#">Launch Meeting - Zoom</a>
Nursing Services—Advanced	<a href="https://youtu.be/-ecQQAQMV1s?si=qC486JRAFJz417eY">https://youtu.be/-ecQQAQMV1s?si=qC486JRAFJz417eY</a>
Nursing Services—C.N.A.	<a href="https://youtu.be/80wH9KutrY0">https://youtu.be/80wH9KutrY0</a>
Occupational Therapy Asst.	<a href="https://youtu.be/l3yOKjhlS58">https://youtu.be/l3yOKjhlS58</a>
Pharmacy Services	<a href="https://youtu.be/JbF8umJRf2E">https://youtu.be/JbF8umJRf2E</a>
Physical Therapy Assist	<a href="https://youtu.be/0yIzqOYlZe0">https://youtu.be/0yIzqOYlZe0</a>
PN Instructors	<a href="https://youtu.be/VdWTT8txWME">https://youtu.be/VdWTT8txWME</a>
Respiratory Care	<a href="https://youtu.be/dfFJizqBa7l">https://youtu.be/dfFJizqBa7l</a>
Surgical Technology	<a href="https://youtu.be/gXkZa20cP5o">https://youtu.be/gXkZa20cP5o</a>
Vet Services	FORGOT ZOOM

Vision Care

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14. Our testing division will be contacting many of you to **assist with their standards/assessment revisions: Surgical Technologist, Pharmacy Technician, and Athletic Training Student Aide**
15. Finally, check out the **SPECIAL offer from the National Consortium for Health Science Education!** Each OkHSE member should also be a member of Health Science Educator's Assn, and that entitles you to their **HUGE FLASH SALE!!!!** For a limited time (Sept. 9-Nov. 3) HSEA members can purchase the NCHSE Health Science Curriculum Enhancements (Sept. 2023, v7.0) for \$400. You'll also get the NCHSE Work-Based Learning Guide for FREE (a \$200 savings!!!!) Simply add Enhancements to your cart and your free products will be added automatically. HSEA Members must LOGIN first. [Login | National Consortium for Health Science Education \(healthscienceconsortium.org\)](https://www.healthscienceconsortium.org) If you have questions or have not logged in before, contact [hello@healthscienceconsortium.org](mailto:hello@healthscienceconsortium.org)

We are losing our Administrative Assistant of 10 months, Kelsey Gray. Her full-time position is open at this time. We will miss you Kelsey, but we loved getting to know you as you completed your first "real with benefits" job! We just hired our Part Time Assistant, Peighton Harak and she will start Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Things are changing around here and we are all going fast and furious!! Take care!  
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Sincerely,  
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