



SHM Members,

As the newly elected Board President of SHM, I am thrilled to lead our community of hospital medicine professionals towards an even brighter future. I want to take a moment to introduce myself and share my vision for our organization, with a particular focus on the importance of connection and personal investment in the hospital medicine specialty.

Becoming the first pediatrician to serve as president has been an honor, and I thank my colleagues and friends at Vanderbilt University Medical Center for guiding me to this path. At SHM, we are not just colleagues, but a close-knit community of real people with a passion for hospital medicine and an ever-persistent dedication to advancing our field through many paths. We understand that our work goes beyond the walls of the hospital, and, as our specialty continues to evolve, we will be here to support you on your professional journey.

As Board President, I am committed to promoting connection among our members as a fundamental pillar of SHM. When we connect, we can learn from each other, support one another, and drive positive change in our field. I encourage you to go beyond professional networking and truly connect with other members as people—sharing our stories, challenges, and dreams with each other. SHM is not just a place for professional development, but also for personal investment. Our organization is dedicated to helping you thrive not only in your career as a hospitalist, but also in your personal well-being. We understand that hospital medicine is not just a job, but a calling that requires continuous learning, growth, and collaboration with others who share our passion.

I am excited to serve as your Board President and to work with each of you to further enhance the sense of community and connection within SHM. Together, we will continue to drive positive change in the field of hospital medicine while building meaningful relationships that will enrich our lives both personally and professionally.

Know that my door is always open. I encourage you to reach out to me, or any other board member, with your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions and invite you to join us at the next edition of the Prez Room. I am eager to get to know our members on a personal level and collaborate with you to make SHM an even more vibrant, inclusive, and heartfelt community. Your input and participation are invaluable to our collective success.

With warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kris Rehm".

Kris Rehm, MD, SFHM
SHM Board President



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