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Christopher Jessup Joins Illinois Health and Hospital Association

Naperville—Christopher Jessup has joined the Illinois Health and Hospital Association as Community and Local Government Relations Manager, effective August 3. Jessup will focus on IHA's advocacy to local elected officials, staff and other stakeholders in the City of Chicago, Cook County and collar counties.

"We are pleased that Chris is joining our government relations team, bringing more than a decade of public policy and government and community relations experience," said David Gross, IHA Senior Vice President, Government Relations. "Most recently, Chris served as Director of Public Safety and Community Affairs for Chicago Alderman Tom Tunney. In this capacity, Chris advised on policy priorities, managed media inquiries, spearheaded public outreach initiatives, and responded to constituent concerns on issues including crime and public safety, transit, and commerce and economic development."

Previously, Jessup worked in Alderman James Cappleman's office as Director of Community Affairs, where he managed constituent service requests and oversaw strategic communication and outreach initiatives. He was also Chief of Staff for State Representative Greg Harris (D-13), managing Harris' Chicago district office operations and personnel.

Jessup holds a Master of Arts in Gender Studies, Public Policy and Social Justice from DePaul University.

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