

2023 CMSA GGrK Board Election

This is the ballot for the election of the Board of Directors that will serve the Case Manage of America: Greater Grand rapids/Kalamazoo Chapter for a term beginning in June 2023 – December 2025 or as outlined in the Bylaws.

Votes must be submitted by **June 26th, 2023**. Please vote for up to **3** candidates.

You **MUST** be a current CMSA Member to vote.

Member ID: Click or tap here to enter text. **Name:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Email Address: Click or tap here to enter text. **Phone Number:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Deedee Perez, RN, CRRN,CCM – Rehabilitation Management & Consulting

Previous experience: I have worked in the rehabilitation field since 1996 when I started my career in the nursing field. I have dedicated myself personally and professionally to caring for family members and clients who require rehabilitation from acquired injuries. It is my desire to continue to grow both personally and professionally in the ever-evolving world of rehabilitation. I believe in order for me to be the best Nurse Case Manager to my clients, it is important for me to continue to educate myself and network with other medical professionals to learn new ways to improve quality of life and connect with individuals who can help me, and my clients be successful in their goals.

Skills / Expertise: I have dedicated my career to hands on patient care and management, training, and leadership roles as a nurse. I have been a family member to those who have sustained injuries that require rehabilitation which is a unique perspective. I have sustained injuries myself that require rehabilitation which has shaped me as an individual and as a nurse. I have vast experience with all phases of the rehabilitation process from initial injury to successful recovery through the rehabilitation Page 2 of 2 process. It would be my pleasure to serve on a board to seek out ways where collectively all our experiences can educate, shape other professionals in this industry along with grow our own knowledge and experience.

Commitment to CMSA: I have discussed the time commitment with several CMSA board members and am certain I will be able to give the appropriate amount of time to this position and be an asset to the individuals I am working with. I am in a financial position to support CMSA at some capacity. I am willing and able to serve on committees and task forces. Ideally, I would be an integral part of choosing topics that are relevant to the majority of Case Managers and the issues and challenges we are facing in the industry currently. You can expect my commitment to attending board meetings regularly.

Denise Sokolowski – 1st Call Home Healthcare

Previous experience: President and Vice President positions with Homecare companies for 23+ years. Professionals focused on Aging.

Skills / Expertise: I am additionally a theft and embezzlement consultant requiring excellent checks and balance procedures. This combined with oversight and understanding of accts payable and receivables could be valuable.

Commitment to CMSA: I am looking forward to participating with CMSA and would plan on attending board meetings. Once I am familiar with committees and the inner working of CMSA, I can provide better insight into additional opportunities.

☐ Rebecca Freeland, RN – Hope Network Rehabilitation Services

Previous experience: Board Member of WMBIN, manage post-acute transitions of care team

Skills / Expertise: 26 years of experience as nurse with more than a decade as a regional leader in transitions of care for acute & post-acute stays involving SCI, TBI, Stroke, and various other dx.'s from EMT at scene of accident to transitions home including PICU, ICU, ER, EMT, Case Manager, Cardiac Care, and transitions specialist / Clinical Liaison. Experience with all funders including MCR, MCD, Auto, Commercial Health Insurance and Workman's Compensation.

Commitment to CMSA: I plan to prioritize attendance meetings / committee work in accordance with the needs of the board.