Jeremy Nordquist became the fifth president of the Nebraska Hospital Association in December 2021. Jeremy has served as an elected official, congressional staff, state legislative staff, and a nonprofit leader. In Washington, D.C., Jeremy was chief of staff to Reps. Brad Ashford (Nebraska) and Tom O’Halleran (Arizona). His teams achieved federal policy success in rural health care, veterans’ health care, and health services for Native Americans. Overseeing work on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Jeremy was actively engaged in public policy development related to expanding access to Graduate Medical Education and telehealth in rural America. In partnership with Rep. Ashford, Jeremy managed efforts to write and pass innovative legislation creating a public-private partnership pilot program for Department of Veterans Affairs construction, paving the way for the new VA ambulatory care clinic in Omaha. The Ashford office also successfully advocated to House leadership and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the creation of the grant program that led to UNMC/Nebraska Medicine being awarded $19.8 million to develop a highly infectious disease training, simulation, and quarantine center.

Jeremy grew up in rural South Dakota. He graduated with honors from Creighton University and holds a Master of Public Administration, with a concentration in health administration, from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Jeremy and his wife Shannon have one daughter and one son.

Objectives:
1. Discuss key challenges facing Nebraska hospitals today.
2. Highlight and discuss state and federal public issues likely to be debated in 2023.
3. Identify opportunities for the Nebraska Hospitals Association to partner with the College of Public Health.