

HEALTH

(Vote for up to five candidates)

Traci Hughes

Marilyn McGaffin

Tony Pistilli

Daniel Moore

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Traci Hughes, FSA, MAAA
Vice President & Principal
Lewis & Ellis, LLC
Plano, TX

Professional Background

Traci Hughes joined Lewis & Ellis in 2012 just after graduating from TCU and has remained with the Company, attaining her FSA in July 2021. Ms. Hughes has a wide range of healthcare and health insurance experience. Her area of practice includes rate review, financial examination, statutory valuation, pricing, and financial impact analyses, spanning all healthcare markets. Ms. Hughes participates in industry speaking engagements and contributes to industry publications on a regular basis.



Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)

- Member, Society of Actuaries Strategic Initiative 18|11, Managed Care 3.0 Taskforce, 2020
- ASA Module Grader (2021 – Present)
- UEC External Examiner (2023 – Present)
- SOA Health Meeting Presenter (2021, 2024)
- SOA Annual Meeting Presenter (2022 – 2023)
- Health Section Newsletter Contributor (2017, 2019, 2023)

Other Relevant Volunteer Experience

Local Food Bank Volunteer, Academy 4 Volunteer (Local 4th Grader Mentorship)Advancements Chair of my son's Boy

Why are you interested in leading this section?

I am running for a seat within the Health Section Council because I am passionate about learning more from my colleagues about the health insurance industry and how actuaries can help improve our healthcare system. I believe that keeping actuaries informed and in conversation about the past, present, and future of health care and health insurance is ever important to uphold the reputation of our career field. I would love to share my experiences in working in the health insurance industry, build new relationships and strengthen old ones with other health actuary friends. Thank you to all section members for the opportunity to serve our actuarial community.

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Marilyn McGaffin, ASA, MAAA
Associate Actuary
Pan American Life
New Orleans, LA

Professional Background

I have 20 years of experience as a health actuary. I have Medicare Supplement, Medicaid, Medicare Advantage and Supplemental Health experience. I have valuation and pricing experience. I am currently working in the Supplemental Health arena as a pricing actuary for Pan American Life. I love the challenges the Health Insurance world brings!! There is always something new to learn!



Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)

- Health Section Council (2015 – 2020)
 - Subgroup leader
 - Health Watch Editor
 - Written articles for Health Watch and for Contingencies
- Social Insurance and Public Finance (2020 -2023) – Treasurer, Vice-Chair, and Chair
- I spearheaded with the International Section research on Paid Family Leave.
- I have been on several different Project Oversight Groups for Medicare Supplement/Medicare Advantage and Paid Family Leave.
Webcast - Pharmacy Review
- I have been a speaker/moderator at the Spring Health Meetings - 2017,2018, 2020, 2021, 2023

Other Relevant Volunteer Experience

- Advancements Chair of my son's Boy Scout Troop
- Treasurer of Alliance Francaise, Indianapolis, IN
- Master Gardener, Willamette Valley, OR
- Volunteered as a Sorter of Material Other than Grapes during harvest, Ken Wright Cellars, Carlton, OR
- Volunteered at IRONMAN 70 – gave water to participants Salem, OR

Why are you interested in leading this section?

I am interested in leading this section because I would like to give back to the profession that I am enjoying! I have enjoyed the projects of both councils. I want to make certain that the continuing education that is being given is cutting edge, exciting and relevant to everyday practice. I also enjoy working with the SOA staff and the other section council members. I have been able to get other colleagues more interested in the SOA activities and to join the subgroups by being involved with the Section Councils.

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Tony Pistilli, FSA, MAAA, CERA, FCA, CPC
Consulting Actuary
Axene Health Partners
Madison, WI

Professional Background

I am a Consulting Actuary with Axene Health Partners where I focus on pharmacy consulting and analytics. Our work focuses on helping pharmacy manufacturers, PBMs, health plans, and other pharma participants engage with each other and build mutually beneficial solutions. I also leverage my background in medical coding and analytics to perform longitudinal studies, build predictive models, and access complex datasets such as the payer transparency data files. Previous to Axene I led a 15-person analytics team for Optum's Payment Integrity product. I have also worked in more traditional pricing and reserving roles with various of Optum's specialty carveout products.



Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)

- 2021 Outstanding Volunteer Award Recipient
- Chair, Young Professional Advisory Council (2020)
- Contributing Editor, The Actuary Magazine (2020 – Present)
- Exam Committees (2016 – Present) SRM, STAM, ERM
- Exam Grading (2016 – Present) Grading: PA; Group and Health Specialty
- Exam Curriculum Development: Predictive Analytics 2021 Curriculum Changes (ATPA, SRM, PA)
- Health Section Subgroups: Behavioral Economics, Predictive Analytics Learning Map, Pharmacy, Health Analytics

Other Relevant Volunteer Experience

- Secretary, Madison Chapter of the American Association of Professional Coders (AAPC) – member of board for local chapter of medical coding professional organization
- Speaker for numerous AAPC chapters on topics such as risk adjustment, AI in healthcare, and how payer financial work
- Coach for The Actuary Foundation's Modeling The Future Competition – coached high school students participating in an actuarial case study competition

Why are you interested in leading this section?

I love being a health actuary, and my previous SOA volunteer work has been both personally and professionally enriching. The Health Section's contributions to the profession are a highlight of my SOA membership, and I want to help contribute to the continued success of the section. I am especially interested in helping grow younger actuary's passion for the profession and volunteering with the SOA.

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Daniel Moore, FSA, MAAA, CERA
Vice President & Principal
Lewis & Ellis, LLC
Dallas, TX

Professional Background

Daniel is a health consulting actuary and has been with Lewis & Ellis, LLC since 2015. Daniel has helped clients design, price, and file accident and health products including ACA on- and off-exchange, supplemental medical, indemnity, student health, stop loss, and AD&D. Daniel also has multi-faceted experience in long-term care (LTC) products including rate filings on behalf of companies, rate filing review for state DOIs, LTC pricing, litigation support for LTC legal cases, and LTC projection modeling. He has supported clients with other actuarial needs including A&H claim reserves, valuation support, and actuarial opinions. Daniel provides actuarial audit services for public welfare systems for Veteran's Affairs. He has reviewed MA and Part D plans for CMS Bid Desk review. He has also assisted CMS with Medicaid actuarial certification rate review. Daniel has worked for state DOIs performing rate review in eight states. Prior to working as an actuary, Daniel managed a music business performing and teaching cello. Daniel lives in rural East Texas with his wife and two children.



Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)

Daniel is a member of the following sections: Actuary of the Future, Emerging Topics Community – Modeling Predictive Analytics, Entrepreneurial Innovation, Financial Reporting, Health, Leadership Development, Long Term Care Insurance, Reinsurance, and Social Insurance Public Finance.

Daniel is a frequent volunteer for SOA events and webcasts. In the last year, he has presented SOA talks on disability products and cell and gene therapy. He has also served as moderator for a presentation on Medicare Supplement trend.

Other Relevant Volunteer Experience

Daniel is also a speaker at non-SOA events including speaking in the last year on cell and gene therapy and supplemental benefits.

He is also a regular volunteer through his church including mission work, music, and teaching Sunday school.

Why are you interested in leading this section?

The health section, as well as the SOA at large, has had a meaningful impact on my development as a consulting actuary. I am grateful for the health section's work in providing valuable education, opportunities to form professional business relationships, and the chance to speak on industry topics. I would like to "pay it forward" by volunteering to promote other up-and-coming actuaries and support the actuarial community.

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Geof Hileman, FSA, MAAA
Kennell and Associates, Inc.
Vice President and Actuary
Raleigh, NC

Professional Background

I have been a consultant in the Federal government health arena both before and after a five-year stint as an actuarial director with a Blues plan, where I was responsible first for reserves and then group pricing. Since 2010, I have worked for a small health policy firm as the sole credentialed actuary, consulting to the Department of Defense (DoD) and to CMS. I have authored three SOA research projects sponsored by the Health Section. My professional interests have primarily focused on health rate setting, risk adjustment, and Federal health policy.

Society of Actuaries Experience (Section and committee memberships and participation)

In the past 10 years, I have served on three section councils: Health, Predictive Analytics and Futurism, and Social Insurance and Public Finance. I am currently the chair of SIPP. In my previous term on the Health Council (2017-2020), I was responsible for coordination of the section's strategic initiatives. I was also a member of this past year's Student Case Study Research Challenge committee.



I have presented regularly at SOA meetings, including the annual meeting, the health meeting, and a predictive modeling seminar.

Other Relevant Volunteer Experience

I have served on several PTA boards, including one highly glamorous year as the President. I was also a team administrator for my kids' summer swim teams for several years.

Why are you interested in leading this section?

With a decade of continuous experience on SOA Section Councils, I have seen firsthand that the sections are the heartbeat of SOA member engagement. I appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with other actuaries outside of my direct professional sphere and contribute to the development of high-quality content that helps raise the entire profession.

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