

Courtney Avery, MPH Billings Society Fellow Institute of Medicine of Chicago

Courtney Avery, MPH, has over 30 years of experience in various healthcare administration, management consultant and public affairs positions. In her previous position, Courtney was the Administrator for the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, a public board which implements the Health Facilities Planning Act. She sufficiently and efficiently promoted the development of comprehensive health care delivery systems that assures the availability of quality health care facilities, related services, and medical equipment to the public, while simultaneously addressing the issues of community need, accessibility, and financing. In addition, she provided oversight to ensure that the Certificate of Need process was implemented effectively and the impact, if any, on access to safety net health services. Because of this specialized talent, in 2020, under Courtney's leadership, HFSRB successfully approved over \$3billion in healthcare services, and construction and improvement projects.

In addition, Courtney is a Senior Consultant with Culloton + Bauer Luce, a boutique public affairs firm specializing in corporate reputation, issues management and crisis communications.

A prominent figure in the Chicago Land area, Courtney serves as a Board of Director for The Institute of Medicine of Chicago (IOMC) and the Hektoen Institute of Medicine.

Courtney's goals are to continue engagement with influential decision and policy makers with a mission to improve the health of the public. She is dedicated to the elimination of social disparities – the root of many negative health care problems. She welcomes challenges, debates, conversations and idea exchanges with her colleagues in the health care industry.

Courtney is a 26-year active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. She works hard in the area of the sorority's target's – Women's Healthcare and Wellness and Global Impact.

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