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CHMS Honored with Prestigious Awards by ESSAE

Capitol Hill Management Services (CHMS) and three of its clients were honored by the Empire State Society of Association Executives (ESSAE) at its Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet last night in Albany, NY.

The following honors were presented:

CHMS and the **New York State Optometric Association (NYSOA)** were presented with the **Association Excellence Award in Marketing and Public Relations** for its Children's Vision Health Program! NYSOA partnered with the NYS Education Department, the New York State Society of Opticians, and VSP Global® Eyes of Hope® on the School Vision Health Month initiative, which provided students in under-served areas of the state with access to no-cost eye exams and glasses through a series of school-based mobile clinics. Each participating school received a supply of Sight for Students® gift certificates, to ensure that school nurses could continue to refer students for eye care and glasses throughout the year.

CHMS and the **New York Battery Energy Technology Consortium (NY-BEST)** were presented with the **Association Excellence Award in Industry Innovation** for its Roadmap Initiative. The roadmap recommends specific actions for the energy storage industry, policy-makers and stakeholders to take to ensure that New York's electric grid and economy realize the enormous benefits of energy storage.

CHMS and the **New York Aviation Management Association (NYAMA)** were presented with the **Association Excellence Award for Meetings & Expositions** for its 2018 Annual Conference in the 1000 Islands Region of New York. Event highlights included a moving tribute to the heroes of 9/11, a spectacular evening at historic Boldt Castle, and a tour of U.S. Army military reservation Fort Drum. Additional special events included a golf outing at 1000 Islands Country Club, a boat trip to the Rock Island Lighthouse, and an excursion to Coyote Moon Vineyards for a wine tasting.

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“We are extremely honored that CHMS and three of our client-partners were chosen for Association Excellence Awards,” said John A. Graziano, Jr., CHMS President. “CHMS is proud of its ongoing commitment and participation in the Empire State Society of Association Executives and being recognized by our peers for the creative and hard work conducted on behalf of our clients each day at our firm.”

About CHMS

CHMS is a consulting firm specializing in association management, non-profit development, government relations, and public policy research.

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