

Taking The Pulse Podcast Highlights South Carolina Health Care

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Nexsen Pruet's new health care podcast, Taking The Pulse, and its hosts, health care attorneys Matthew Roberts and Darra James Coleman, were recently highlighted in *The Post & Courier* article "Law firm launches a new health care podcast focused on SC."

Matthew and Darra discussed their extensive health care backgrounds and their motivation to create a project that raised awareness and understanding of the health care industry. According to Darra, "It's important to tell the stories...all of us at some point are going to be patients."

Excerpt:

Roberts has spent the past 25-plus years working in the health care legal field in South Carolina. In that time, he said he learned how influential the industry is to the state.

His wife is also a physician.

Health care is an underappreciated industry when it comes to its impact on the economy, Roberts said.

"Most hospitals are the largest employers in the communities they serve," he said.

Further:

Coleman described the podcast as an introduction to the industry.

"We want to educate South Carolinians and people beyond the borders of South Carolina about the resources that we have here," Coleman said.

The show's first episode features Thornton Kirby, the president of the South Carolina Hospital Association. One of the main topics of discussion is the novel coronavirus pandemic.

The impact on hospital employees has been mixed, he said. Some are looking to work more because of furloughs. Emergency department workers are seeing a noticeable drop in patients. But those directly treating COVID-19 patients are stressed by the intensity of caring for them.

"It's nerve-wracking and when they go home they worry that they've taken something home with them to their families," he said. "A lot of emotions on behalf of the health care workers."

Taking the Pulse is a weekly health care podcast produced by Nexsen Pruet, LLC, that explores current topics of health care in South Carolina and beyond. Taking the Pulse is produced by NP Strategy. Follow Taking the Pulse on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Find out more about the podcast or listen to episodes at www.thepulsehealthcast.com.

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