



Join the Healthier Hospitals Initiative

Waste Management is a Supporting Business for the Healthier Hospitals Initiative. We understand that business alliances play a critical role in helping hospitals meet their sustainability goals. We encourage you to join hospitals across North America leading their communities to a healthier future, and to consider how we can help you meet your sustainability goals.

Overview

The Healthier Hospitals Initiative (HHI) is a three-year campaign created by Practice Greenhealth, Health Care Without Harm, Center for Health Design, and sponsoring health systems to accelerate the adoption of environmental health and sustainability practices throughout the healthcare sector in the U.S. and Canada.

HHI provides proven strategies, step-by-step how-to guides, and a sharing community of hospitals – all at no cost. This initiative helps hospitals:

- Reduce energy and waste generation in your facility to minimize your impact on the environment and public health
- Choose safer and less toxic products to protect your staff and patients
- Purchase and serve healthier food to improve the health of patients, staff and communities

Sponsoring systems - Advocate Health Care, Bon Secours Health System, Catholic Health Initiatives, Dignity Health, Gundersen Health System, Hospital Corporation of America, Kaiser Permanente, Inova Health System, MedStar Health, Partners HealthCare, Stanford University Medical Center, Tenet Healthcare (includes former Vanguard facilities).

Opportunities and benefits

- Potential to find cost savings while implementing the HHI challenges for environmental and public health benefits.
- Demonstrate leadership in sustainability, share best practices, and celebrate your accomplishments on a national platform.
- Join a sharing community of HHI hospitals, including some of the largest and most influential health systems, academic medical centers, and community hospitals.
- Help transform the healthcare industry and lead the nation towards a healthier future.

How Waste Management can support you

Hospitals that enroll in the HHI sign up for a goal in at least one of six challenge areas – Engaged Leadership, Healthier Food, Leaner Energy, Less Waste, Safer Chemicals and Smarter Purchasing.

- **Engaged Leadership** – Our WM Sustainability Services consulting team can help with Sustainability Planning, Policies, and Reports. We can not only design world-class sustainability programs, but also have the operational experience and resources to implement and manage those programs.
- **Less Waste** – With Waste Management’s subject matter expertise, training resources, and the largest number of material recovery facilities in the nation, we can help you work towards any of the “Less Waste” Goals – RMW Reduction to <10% of total waste; a Recycling Rate of 15%; and a Construction and Diversion Rate of 80%.
- **Leaner Energy** – Waste Management can help set up an ENERGY STAR® Portfolio Manager account and provide an energy efficiency assessment.
- **Smarter Purchasing** – We can work with your procurement department to identify opportunities for purchasing EPEAT-registered electronics and help on the back-end to ensure your used electronics are responsibly re-marketed or recycled.

How it works

There is no cost to enroll in HHI. Hospitals are required to submit data, but measures of success are flexible and incremental. The first measure of success is enrolling and beginning to engage in working toward a Challenge goal.

Data will only be used in aggregate unless you choose to announce individual, public goals and achievement. Facility data will not be shared outside of HHI staff, or used for any other commercial purpose.

How to enroll

Contact the Healthier Hospitals Initiative’s Outreach Specialist in your geographic area listed below:

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW WASTE MANAGEMENT CAN HELP YOU MEET YOUR HHI CHALLENGE GOALS, CONTACT YOUR WASTE MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE OR EMAIL US AT SUSTAINABILITYSERVICES@WM.COM.



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