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# Practice Greenhealth

## Community Health Center Membership

Practice Greenhealth is the nation's leading membership and networking organization for health care institutions that are committed to implementing sustainable, environmentally-friendly practices. We motivate, engage and educate health care organizations on how to reduce the environmental impact of their operations. Our members include community health centers, hospitals, health care systems, businesses, and other stakeholders.





Demonstrating the growing commitment among the health community to reduce its environmental impact, Practice Greenhealth membership has recently expanded to include Community Health Centers—where the challenges and issues of sustainability are much the same as in acute-care environments.

Practice Greenhealth is a learning community working toward the greening of health care, offering the next generation of tools and services that can take organizations, wherever they are on the continuum, to the next level of sustainability excellence.

Community Health Center membership is open to organizations including:

- Ambulatory Surgery Centers
- Dental and Physician Offices
- Dialysis Centers
- Outpatient and Urgent Care Centers
- Radiology Labs
- Veterinary Hospitals
- Nursing Homes and Rehabilitation Centers
- Hospice Facilities
- Health Clinics

Practice Greenhealth offers a variety of programs to Community Health Center (CHC) members, including the Healthcare Clean Energy Exchange, Greenhealth Academy, *Greenhealth* magazine and the weekly Greenhealth eNews, discounts on the CleanMed Conference & Exposition, the Sustainability Benchmark Report, environmental purchasing, sustainable operations, continuing education, webinars, networking opportunities and communications.

Beyond helping members establish goals and best practices, Practice Greenhealth provides specific tools, education and assistance in reaching those goals. For example, we host more than 35 webinars each year through Greenhealth Academy®, free to our member participants, among many other resources.

Practice Greenhealth member hospitals are achieving dramatic reductions in their environmental footprints with, to name just a few areas: significant overall waste reduction practices, and diverting waste into recycling and more sustainable waste streams (a percentage of otherwise solid waste tonnage becomes recycled). In addition, our member hospitals have made dramatic strides in the elimination of mercury and DEPH. They are achieving reductions in both supply-side energy costs and demand-side energy use. Our members are also implementing practices to give preference to the purchase of environmentally preferable products.

# Benefits of Membership

**MEMBER-ONLY RESOURCES** – Access Practice Greenhealth’s member-only website for topic forums, guidance documents, checklists, purchasing specifications, case studies, policies and more.

**GREENHEALTH ACADEMY** – Weekly educational webinars, online learning and 24-hour access to archived webinars and sharing calls. [www.practicegreenhealth.org/greenhealth-academy](http://www.practicegreenhealth.org/greenhealth-academy)

**SHARING CALLS** – Based on member’s request, connect with other members to learn of successes, ask questions and join in lively discussion. All calls and notes are archived for later access.  
[www.practicegreenhealth.org/sharing-calls](http://www.practicegreenhealth.org/sharing-calls)

**PEER AND EXPERT FORUMS** – For networking and best practices, including the mentor program.

**SUSTAINABILITY BENCHMARK REPORT** – Access the go-to resource for environmental sustainability benchmarks in the sector, based on data from the award data to see how a facility measures to others, including top performers.

**ECO-CHECKLIST™** – A valuable tool based on best practices, and designed to easily assess the level of environmental operations in existence at your health care facility. Provides actionable tasks for your Green Team to prioritize and pursue at your own pace.

**WASTE/MATERIAL DATA TRACKING** – Deep discounts for members on Practice Greenhealth’s web-based, waste data tracking tool, Greenhealth Tracker™.

**GREENHEALTH SUSTAINABILITY DASHBOARD** – Enter and track sustainability data and metrics on our secure, Internet-based tool. [www.practicegreenhealth.org/dashboard](http://www.practicegreenhealth.org/dashboard)

**CLEANMED CONFERENCE** – 50 percent discount on annual CleanMed Conference & Exposition registration for Practice Greenhealth members. CleanMed is the premier environmental conference for leaders in health care. The conference attracts key decision-makers from the sustainable health care environment and supply chain. [www.cleanmed.org](http://www.cleanmed.org)

**ENERGY IMPACT CALCULATOR** – Calculate how your facility’s energy use impacts health.  
[www.practicegreenhealth.org/tools/eic](http://www.practicegreenhealth.org/tools/eic)

**GREENHEALTH MAGAZINE** – A quarterly publication with the latest information from Practice Greenhealth and member activities. Access to all *Greenhealth* past issues online. [www.greenhealthmagazine.org](http://www.greenhealthmagazine.org)

**CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP**

**MEMBER LISTING ON PRACTICE GREENHEALTH WEBSITE (OPTIONAL)**

## Application for Membership in Practice Greenhealth

Facilities that share a vision of a health care community that recognizes the link between our material choices and operations and public health are invited to join Practice Greenhealth. The facility (or system) listed below is working to make environmental sustainability in its own facilities a reality. As a member, we pledge to support the following:

- Virtual elimination of mercury.
- Reduction of the quantity and toxicity of health care waste - from manufacturing, purchase and use of products and materials, to improved end-of-life management.
- Minimization of use and exposure to hazardous chemicals, including persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic (PBT) substances.
- Reducing health care's environmental footprint through resource conservation and other measurable environmental improvements.
- Integrating sustainable design and building techniques with environmentally sound operational practices to create true healing environments.

**Yes, our facility (or system) is committed to these goals.**

Please indicate the size of your facility or system below; and complete, sign and return the membership application form.

For systems, please complete additional form(s) for each facility in system.

# of Facilities	Single	1 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 15	16 to 20	Over 20
Annual Membership Fee	\$500	\$500 ea.	\$475 ea.	\$450 ea.	\$425 ea.	\$400 ea.
Please check one:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signature

Date

Name

Title

Facility

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

### Return completed forms to:

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