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Conference of Metropolitan Hospital Associations

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Objectives

- To represent the needs and concerns of metropolitan associations and to focus attention on the problems associated therewith.
- To provide a method of communication between metropolitan hospital associations and other healthcare agencies and organizations.
- To develop and maintain methods and mechanisms for exchange of ideas and information between Metropolitan Hospital Associations.
- To conduct educational programs for Metropolitan Hospital Associations designed to improve staff understanding of professional issues and approaches to improving hospital care and association management per se.
- To provide a forum for the exchange of information and the sharing of experiences among associations and to focus attention upon common interests and problems and offer solutions thereto.
- To conduct studies and surveys and provide other services as indicated in furtherance of the primary purpose of this corporation.

Current Outreach and Liaison Efforts

- Recognized formally by AHA.
- Assigned professional staff Carmela Coyle and Robyn Cooke.
- Received invitations to key AHA events.





- Arranged for SHAEF interchange at Washington meeting
- Established a working relationship with the U.S. Conference of Mayors seeking improved coordination and legislative support.
- Appointed representatives to the State Issues Forum.
- Appointed representatives to the AHA Governing Council on Metros.

Surveys and Studies

- Conducted and distributed CEO salary survey.
- Conducted and distributed association-based operations survey.
- Currently conducting an association services/programs survey.



Creating Venues for Idea Exchange and Sharing of Best Practices

- Conducted five membership meetings during the year.
 - 1. CMHA Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA
- 2. Yearly meeting held in conjunction with AHA Washington meeting
- 3. Mid-year "fly-in" in St. Louis, MO
- 4. Human Resource team meeting New Orleans
- 5. Human Resource team meeting Chicago

Areas of focus

- Continual updates on legislative and regulatory strategies
- The re-emerging medical liability crisis
- Bio-terrorism/homeland security issues for hospitals
 - Communications
 - Resources
 - Grant funding
 - Relationships with community agencies
 - Identifying best practices
- Healthcare access and availability
- Malpractice premium causative factors



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- Managed care/HMO gaming strategies
- World Trade Center Disaster: Lessons from the Field
- Air Force Surgeon General plans for communities
- Sharing quality and patient safety initiatives

Networking Among Human Resource Executives

Established special task force of Human
Resource specialists focusing on work-force
issues. First meeting was held in January in
New Orleans and the second meeting took
place in October in Chicago. Chairman is
Dino Paternostro.





Areas of focus

- Best practice issues
- Recruitment
- Survey data
- Work redesign
- Retention strategies
- Temporary staffing issues
- Use of the Internet
- Grant funding successes

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- Career promotion
- Mandatory staffing/overtime
- Collaboration with Johnson & Johnson
- Establishing health career resource centers
- Legislation for workforce relief
- Supply/demand monitoring
- Foreign nurse recruitment



Membership Listing

State Member	r
California	
Healthcare Association of Southern CaliforniaJim Barbo	er
Hospital Council of Northern & Central California Gregg Schnepp	le
Healthcare Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties	'a
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Florida	
South Florida Hospital & Healthcare AssociationLinda S. Quid	ck
Illinois	
Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council Earl C. Bi	'd
Kentucky	
Healthcare Council of Metropolitan Louisville Nancy C. Galvag	ni
Louisiana	
Metropolitan Hospital Council of New Orleans John J. (Jack) Fir	ın

Ohio



Greater Cincinnati Health Council	Lynn R. Olman
Akron Regional Hospital Association	Marianne Lorin
Center for Health Affairs	William Ryan
Greater Dayton Area Hospital Association	Joseph M. Krella
Hospital Council of Northwest Ohio	W. Scott Fry

Pennsylvania

Delaware Valley Healthcare Counc	il of HAP Andrew Wigglesworth
Hospital Council of Western Penns	ylvaniaIan G. Rawson

Texas

Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council	John C. Gavras
Greater San Antonio Hospital Council	William D. Rasco



Organizational Award

Howard Cook, Past President of the Chicago Hospital Council recognized Wayne Rice at last year's meeting in San Diego.

