

the
VISION, VALUE
and VOICE

OF THE NATION'S SAFETY NET



National
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Systems





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NAPH

The National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems represents more than 100 of America's most important safety net hospitals and health systems. These facilities provide high-quality health services for all patients, including the uninsured and underinsured, regardless of ability to pay. They provide many essential community-wide services, such as primary care, trauma care, and neonatal intensive care, and train many of America's doctors, nurses, and other health care providers. NAPH has cultivated a strong presence on Capitol Hill, and is the **only** national organization representing the interests of public and other safety net hospitals and health systems before Congress and the Administration. Through our successful lobbying efforts, this collective voice has made an enormous impact on legislation affecting member hospitals and the nation's most vulnerable populations.

“Public hospitals are asked to do more and more with less and less, until it feels like you're doing everything with nothing. NAPH has helped us manage those demands, both in our hospitals and in the halls of power.”

Ron J. Anderson, MD
President and CEO, Parkland Health and Hospital System, Dallas, TX

VISION

Our **VISION** is simple—a strong, vibrant health care system ensuring access to all in our society. NAPH is the strategic link between safety net hospitals and health systems and policymakers. Membership driven, our goal is to serve as your resource, offering you an inside perspective on issues that have a direct impact on your bottom line. | NAPH understands the unique needs of safety net providers and your desire to remain a vibrant resource in your community. Our forward-looking approach is paramount to your mission:

- **FORECAST.** NAPH is forward thinking, helping to formulate policy options that will sustain health care entities beyond current safety net financing systems.
- **FORESIGHT.** NAPH advocates for changes in laws, regulations and policies in health care to improve coverage, access, health status, and the general well-being of those most in need in the communities you serve.
- **FORETHOUGHT.** Tailored to the unique challenges facing hospital leadership, NAPH helps prepare you for the future by developing high-quality training programs and providing networking opportunities to train future leaders in public health systems across the country.



“I will never forget the extraordinary support NAPH gave us since the storms [Hurricanes Katrina and Rita]. Bluntly, I could not have gotten through it personally without both your shoulder and your over-the-top work on our behalf. Forever will I be grateful.”

Donald R. Smithburg
Executive Vice President, LSU System,
and CEO, LSU Health Care Services, Baton Rouge, LA

VALUE

For NAPH members, our **VALUE** translates into more financing, resources, and educational opportunities to help you keep your community's diverse populations healthy and strong. NAPH member hospitals and systems benefit from:



- Advocacy on Capitol Hill that has secured more than \$55 billion in supplemental payments for safety net providers;
- Scholarships and educational programs on a variety of issues facing safety net providers;
- Best practices, research, and networking opportunities to help you provide high-quality care efficiently and effectively; and
- Sustained media outreach to promote the importance and continued preservation of safety net hospitals in the communities they serve.

“Joining NAPH isn’t just about supporting their efforts in Washington. It is also about taking advantage of a network of hospitals and experts who are familiar with our struggles and can provide support.”

Sandra Hullett, MD
CEO and Medical Director, Cooper Green Hospital, Birmingham, AL

VOICE

As the **VOICE** of the safety net, NAPH is your eyes and ears in Washington, focusing on legislation that directly affects your hospital. To Congress and the Administration, NAPH presents the public hospital perspective on all legislation and proposed regulations pivotal to your survival. | A thought leader on safety net financing issues—with a particular focus on the current Medicaid program—NAPH is taking the necessary steps *today* to help construct and shape alternative reimbursement mechanisms that will support safety net providers *tomorrow*. | As a member, your voice is heard. You gain:



- Access to federal legislators and regulators;
- Support from legislative and policy experts to build your case with public officials;
- Increased political effectiveness through successful lobbying and training; and
- Timely news on issues important to public providers, as it happens on Capitol Hill.

“My relationship with NAPH dates back about 18 years, when we at Memorial made a conscious decision that the other national organizations did not place priority on some issues that were important to us, especially Medicaid and the preservation of the safety net. When we joined NAPH in 1988 it was a revelation.”

John A. Benz

Chief Strategic Officer, Memorial Healthcare System, Hollywood, FL

JOIN US!

NAPH adds further **VALUE** by delivering exclusive member benefits that advance your leadership and leverage:

- Invaluable opportunities to network with peers who represent the nation's leading hospitals and health systems;
- Latest research on quality of care, financing, cultural competency, philanthropy and much more from NAPH and our affiliate organization, the National Public Health and Hospital Institute;
- Opportunities for you and your hospital's executives to participate in the NAPH Fellows Program—a training program conducted yearly on policy and operational issues;
- Access to benchmarking data, critical studies, and a health care group purchasing program through our affiliation with the University HealthSystem Consortium;
- Members' only training programs and technical assistance on a wide range of issues; and
- Subscriptions to a monthly legislative/regulatory newsletter, our magazine *The Safety Net*, and a series of issue briefs, research briefs, and monographs.



“The beauty of membership in NAPH is in the networking opportunities with peers who share similar missions, cultures and institutional challenges. Moreover, the peer relationships quickly develop into lasting friendships.”

John W. Bluford III
President and CEO, Truman Medical Centers, Kansas City, MO

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