



National
Association
of Public
Hospitals
and Health
Systems

WHY NAPH IS A TREMENDOUS VALUE FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION

Top 10 Reasons

National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems (NAPH) members are an influential and effective network of safety net providers. When you join NAPH, you join more than 100 of America's most important public hospitals and health systems around the country in speaking with one collective voice on behalf of our nation's most vulnerable populations.

- 1** **Legislative Advocacy**
You have a "seat at the table" in national decision-making. NAPH advocates for changes in laws, regulations and policies in health care to preserve the safety net and improve coverage, access, health status, and the general well-being of those most in need in the communities you serve.
- 2** **Access to National Leaders**
Your voice is heard where it matters most. NAPH facilitates members' access to federal legislators, regulators, and health care industry leaders through participation in NAPH events, presents the public hospital perspective through the media, and cultivates relationships with recognized legislative and policy experts.
- 3** **Enhancing the Image of the Safety Net**
You tell your story, we support your efforts. NAPH ensures that the media understands the importance of safety net hospitals and health systems in the communities you serve through sustained media outreach and public relations activities, and supports member outreach efforts by translating complex policy issues and assisting with overall message development.
- 4** **Leading-Edge Information**
You need it, we have it. NAPH is your gateway to timely news on issues important to public providers—as it happens on Capitol Hill—through unrestricted access to NAPH's Web site—www.naph.org—and members-only publications on a host of topics and key issues.
- 5** **Leadership Development**
You share your insights while sharpening your skills. NAPH provides opportunities for you and your hospital's executives to participate in programs that focus on leadership development and organizational change.
- 6** **Networking Opportunities**
You gain a sense of community. NAPH conferences and educational programs offer public hospital leaders face-to-face forums and other opportunities to share ideas, promote competence, and facilitate information exchange.
- 7** **Credible Research Studies**
You can trust the source. NAPH, through its affiliate organization, the National Public Health and Hospital Institute, conducts research studies and is a leading source of information about public hospitals and health systems and the vulnerable populations served.
- 8** **Partnerships to Enhance our Vision**
Your mission is our mission. NAPH collaborates with numerous national and state organizations to achieve our collective vision of ensuring access to care for all in our society.
- 9** **Professional Recognition**
You are honored for the great work that you do. NAPH recognizes public hospitals and health systems for innovative programs and dedicated employees annually through our highly acclaimed Safety Net Awards program.
- 10** **Influence Decisions**
Your association—where your input counts. NAPH encourages members to participate in a wide range of activities that enable you to influence the association's agenda. This ongoing exchange is designed to further strengthen NAPH to better meet your needs.