



AHPA

ADVENTIST HEALTH
POLICY ASSOCIATION

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The Adventist Health Policy Association (AHPA) is the policy voice for five Seventh-day Adventist health care systems with 84 hospitals and 400 affiliated health care facilities in 17 states and the District of Columbia.



Institute on Health Policy and Leadership rolls out new blog

The Institute on Health Policy and Leadership (IHPL) at Loma Linda University Health, launched its blog, *Health Policy Connection*. The blog, which can be found [here](#), will harness the strengths of many policy experts both internal and external to discuss health policy issues facing our nation.

The IHPL invites you to check the blog regularly for updates and become an active participant in the health policy discussion by leaving relevant comments on the blog or emailing us (ihpl@llu.edu) with ideas of what policy topics you would like to see addressed.



AHPA's Work Groups

In an effort to elevate our advocacy priorities, AHPA is forming three work groups that will look at policy and policy recommendations around oral health, mental health and not-for-profit accountability.

We are looking for representation from each AHPA system on each committee. If you or anyone in your system is interested in learning more about the groups work please email Julia Hartwell–Drefke at Julia.hartwell@flhosp.org .



Adventist Bioethics Conference

Loma Linda University Health is hosting a bioethics conference on April 18th. The conference, “Adventist Bioethics in the 21st Century: A Conference for Leaders in Health Care”, will focus on the practical needs of those who are providing bioethics leadership within the five AHS systems. Each AHPA system will be represented at the conference. Below are some of the goals of the conference:

- To create a bioethics learning collaborative among the five systems
- To share creative approaches to clinical ethics in Adventist healthcare institutions
- To increase awareness of the bioethics resources available to our health systems

More information about the conference is available [here](#).