2023 REPORT TO INDIANA-MICHIGAN CONFERENCE



MHS Association Mission Statement

Anchored in Anabaptist values, MHS inspires and strengthens health and human service ministries to fulfill their missions.

MHS Association Vision Statement

MHS is the go-to leader for integrating faith and work in health and human services.

The following members have ties to Indiana-Michigan Conference:

- Anabaptist Disabilities Network (Elkhart, IN)
- Bridge of Hope (Exton, PA / South Bend, IN/Grand Rapids, MI)
- Center for Healing and Hope (Goshen, IN)
- Greencroft Communities (Greencroft Goshen and Greencroft Middlebury, IN)
- Oaklawn (Elkhart and St. Joseph Counties, IN)
- Thurston Woods Village (Sturgis, MI)

Activities

- The 2023 Mennonite Health Assembly was held Tuesday, March 7 Thursday, March 9, in Denver, CO. Over 120 people attended the conference and appreciated the keynote speakers and sessions that were presented. The Assembly is open to all persons interested in governance, leadership, and organizational improvement presented through our Anabaptist faith and values.
- With the help of Lightbox, a Goshen, IN marketing firm, Mennonite Health Services (MHS) Alliance made the decision to transition to MHS Association, a better representation of the organization. MHS Association is a national organization of Anabaptist health and human service ministries. Anchored in Anabaptist values, MHS Association inspires and strengthens member ministries by integrating faith and work, providing leadership development and best practices in board governance, providing faith-grounded strategic business tools, and access to a network of Anabaptist organizations.
- The MHS Board of Directors and MHS Staff continue to advance diversity, equity, justice, and inclusion initiatives and have launched a Racial Equity Audit of the Association.
- MHS Association provides monthly webinars on a variety of topics. The 2023 themes include leadership, governance, workforce development, and faith and work. These webinars are free and open to anyone that is interested in the topic.
- MHS Association members continue to appreciate tools and resources to support their ministries.
 For more information on member services, <u>please view our ongoing member benefits video series.</u>
- MHS Consulting continues to serve MHS Association members and nonmembers in the health and human services arena; primarily providing resources in governance, executive search, executive coaching, interim placement, strategic planning, and positioning, and operational, financial, and market assessments.

For Thanksgiving and Prayer

- Continued prayer for staffing retention and recruitment. Finding and keeping qualified and compassionate employees is a significant concern for MHS Association member organizations and the vulnerable populations they serve across the country.
- We are grateful for the financial gifts, gifts in kind, prayer, and volunteer support to our member organizations.