



2019 REPORT TO CENTRAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The mission of MHS is to strengthen and extend Anabaptist-affiliated health and human service organizations. MHS serves members in the following states where CDC congregations are located:

- Florida
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Michigan
- Ohio
- Virginia

For a complete listing of MHS members, visit: <http://www.mhsonline.org/member-directory>.

Activities

- MHS remains deeply invested in the Values-based Leadership Program. Visit <http://www.vblp.org/>, or contact MHS for additional information. Other leadership development activities include an Executive Circle for CEOs, an Emerging Leaders program at Mennonite Health Assembly, and a website – ValuedLeadership.org – that offers education on leading from an Anabaptist perspective and poses thought-provoking questions for reflection. All of our leadership tools are designed to support leaders to be faithful and effective.
- More than 200 health and human services professionals gathered in Wichita, Kansas, February 28-March 2 to attend Mennonite Health Assembly 2019. Following the theme of “Cultivate Joy,” attendees were met at each general session by featured artists throughout the week including various artists and musicians, a potter and a woodworker. Experts in areas ranging from women in leadership, to ageism, to social connection, led engaging Learning Lab workshops each day of Assembly. Save the date for the 202 Assembly in Greenville, South Carolina, March 19-21!
- We are partnering with China Christian Council for an Executive Residency Exchange program to support developing senior care services. A group from China plans to visit the Souderton, PA area in April.
- New in 2019, we’re offering a series of free webinars for board members, called *Speaking of Non-Profit Boards*. These are open to anyone who is interested in the topics; visit www.mhsonline.org to learn more and to register.

For Thanksgiving and Prayer

- Finding and keeping qualified and compassionate employees is a significant concern for MHS members across the country.
- We are grateful for the wisdom of the dozens of volunteer board members who are trustees of the missions of our member organizations.