

# **2025 Report to Central District Conference**

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### **MHS Association Vision**

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

#### **MHS Association Mission**

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

MHS Association (Mennonite Health Services) is a network of 78 Anabaptist health and human services ministries located throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. MHS Association has members in the following states where CDC congregations are located:

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

### Activities

- The 2025 MHS Assembly will be held March 18 20 in Pittsburgh, PA. Registration will begin on December 17, 2024. For more information and to register please <u>visit the MHS Association</u> website.
- MHS Association provides monthly webinars on a variety of topics. The 2025 themes include leadership, strategy, governance, industry experts, faith, and work. All upcoming webinars can be found here on the MHS Association website.
- MHS Association members continue to utilize our tools and resources to support their ministries. For a breakdown of MHS Association member services, please <u>visit our website</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, and strategic planning and positioning.
- The MHS Association Board of Directors and MHS Association Staff continue to advance diversity, equity, justice, and inclusion initiatives.
- MHS Association is currently exploring affiliation with Friends Services Alliance, in anticipation of finalization in 2025.
- MHS Association members enjoy access to our variety of network groups. View all network groups offered, here.

## 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 MHS Association member organizations.