Sample letter of intent to join the Global Green and Healthy Hospitals Network and Health Care Climate Challenge

Please delete all instructions highlighted in Blue and fill in all yellow highlighted areas.

Please email to:

GlobalNetwork@hcwh.org

Place letter on official organization letterhead.

This letter needs to be signed by the director of the organization or someone with similar authority.

Date

Joshua Karliner

International Coordinator

Health Care Without Harm

Dear Mr. Karliner,

With this letter please accept [Name of organization] official pledge to participate in the Health Care Climate Challenge (Climate Challenge).

We understand that by joining the Climate Challenge and GGHH we also automatically become a member of Global Green and Healthy Hospitals (GGHH).

In addition to the benefits of membership, which include access to GGHH Connect (a global social media platform), Hippocrates Data Center, guidance documents, case studies and more, we also understand that to become a member of GGHH, health, academic, and professional organizations must commit to the Leadership goal as well as promoting GGHH and the Climate Challenge to its networks. We have made this commitment by signing the Climate Challenge pledge.

As GGHH members, we will:

* Publicize the Agenda and Climate Challenge through our membership and networks,
* Encourage hospitals and health systems that we work with to join the Network,
* Offer educational opportunities for members related to the Agenda goals, and
* Advocate for the health sector to adopt the Agenda’s goals;

[Name of Your Organization] will also: Optional- Choose any that apply

* Facilitate information exchange and the sharing of best practices among our members.
* Provide technical support to our members to help them adopt more sustainable practices.
* Aggregate information regarding the progress towards the GGHH Agenda goals our members make.
* Publicize the progress our members make and the outcomes our members achieve in their work to green their operating practices.

The contact person at the Name of Organization with the authority to join Global Green and Healthy Hospitals and the Climate Challenge, complete the membership process and who will be added to the GGHH news list is: This person works directly on sustainability projects and initiatives and has access to all GGHH member resources. Often this person is the Sustainability Manager, Waste Manager, Engineer for building and infrastructure, etc. If you have questions on who would make the best contact please contact us. This person will have access to GGHH Connect and all member resources and tools. He/She will also be added to the GGHH news list, through which he/she will receive monthly updates on GGHH member resources, events, and news about the GGHH network from around the globe.  Emails include an unsubscribe button, in case the contact person would like to stop receiving them.

Full name

Email

Address

Telephone

Please provide a brief description of your organization (mission, size, location, etc.)

Once we receive a welcome letter and welcome packet from GGHH, [Name of Organization] will complete our profile and begin participating in the Climate Challenge by filling out the Climate Leadership form.

Lastly, I understand there are some necessary limitations on participation in the Climate Challenge and membership in GGHH. Participation in the Climate Challenge and/or membership in GGHH does not bestow any sort of certification of organization as "green".   I understand participants and members may identify themselves as Climate Challenge Participants and/or members of GGHH, but may not speak on behalf of the Climate Challenge and/or GGHH, describe themselves as representatives of the Climate Challenge and/or GGHH, or use the logo on their official materials for purposes other than identifying themselves as members of the Network without prior consent of the GGHH secretariat.

We look forward to working with Global Green and Healthy Hospitals and the Health Care Climate Challenge to transform the health sector and foster a healthy future.

Sincerely,

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Title

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