Safety Net Hospital Decarbonization: 
An IHI Collaborative
May 2024 to February 2025

Request for Applications

With generous support from the Commonwealth Fund, IHI invites leaders of safety net hospitals in the United States to join a 10-month Collaborative to lower carbon emissions from hospital operations and care delivery.

Participants will apply improvement methods to test interventions, measure the results, and make adjustments leading to improvement. Interdisciplinary teams will select a focus of their improvement project – for example, lowering emissions from anesthetic gases or inhaler prescriptions, adapting care models, reducing waste from food and water or medical devices and supplies – and receive coaching to advance their work.

Through interactive virtual gatherings, teams will receive instruction, guidance, and support from leading subject matter experts in improvement science, clinical and operational decarbonization practices, leadership and change management – and build relationships with peers leading climate action across the country.

Who Should Apply?
We are seeking leaders of health care organizations in the United States who are committed to collaborative learning, prepared to recruit interdisciplinary teams from their organizations to lead decarbonization projects, and eager to influence others in health care to commit to climate action.

As the definition of a safety net hospital varies, we accept any of the following:

- Organizational mission to provide care for low-income populations and >65% of patients served on Medicaid/Medicare or uninsured
- Status as a non-federal public hospital
- Membership in America’s Essential Hospitals

Apply Today
Complete the online application at this link by May 17 to be considered.

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