

Partners in Caring

*The American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging
and The Catholic Health Association of the United States*

**Joint membership
in AAHSA and
CHA for Catholic-
sponsored
organizations
serving aging and
chronically
ill persons**

Advocacy—

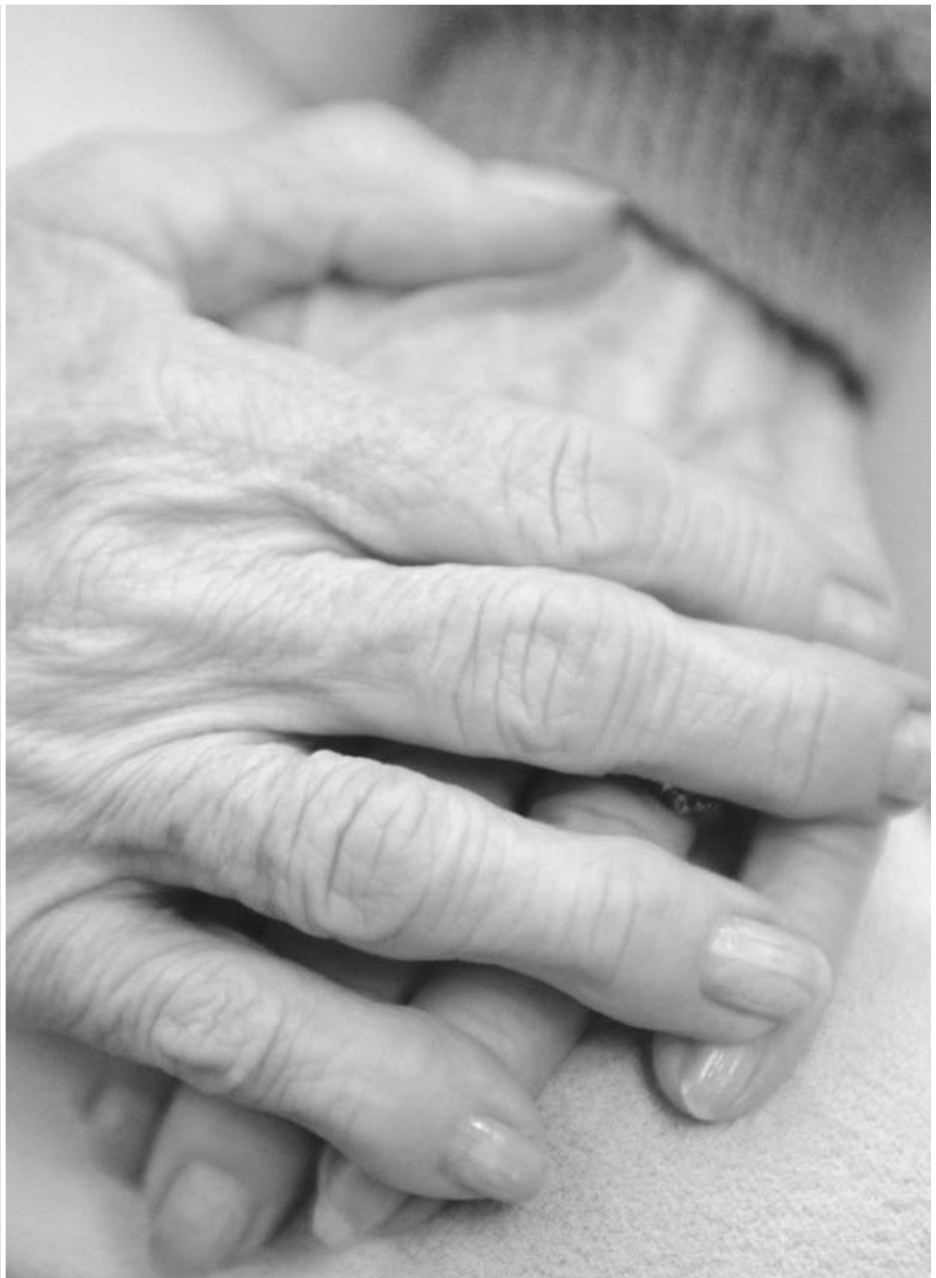
A united voice for
not-for-profit
long-term care

**Education and
resources—**

Grounded in the
values of mission-
driven providers

**Networking,
partnership, and
collaboration—**

Working together
to better serve our
communities





The members of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA) serve two million people every day through mission-driven, not-for-profit organizations dedicated to providing the services people need, when they need them, in the place they call home. Our members offer a continuum of aging services: adult day services, assisted living residences, continuing care retirement communities, home and community-based services, home health, nursing homes, and senior housing. AAHSA's commitment is to create the future of aging services through quality people can trust.

The Catholic Health Association of the United States (CHA) is the national leadership organization representing the Catholic healing ministry. CHA's more than 2,000 members form the nation's largest group of not-for-profit health care systems, sponsors, facilities, health plans, and related organizations.

Both organizations share a vision of integrated health care services that are affordable, innovative, and compassionate. Together, our organizations work to promote excellence, leadership, and justice throughout the continuum of care.

As partners in caring, AAHSA and CHA have developed a joint membership program that provides an array of dual benefits and enhances the collaborative efforts of our national organizations in serving aging-services providers as follows:

- ▶ Publications and resources reflecting the values of mission-driven providers
- ▶ Partnerships at conferences where faith-based providers exchange information; examine ethical issues; and learn the latest information on public policy, financing, quality care, and innovative practices
- ▶ Collaboration on advocacy initiatives focused on the long-term care needs of aged and chronically ill persons
- ▶ Consultation on issues related to:
 - Mission and ethics
 - Leadership
 - Governance
 - Housing
 - Nursing home quality
 - Long-term care trends
 - Home and community-based services
 - Social accountability and community benefits

Benefits of Joint Membership

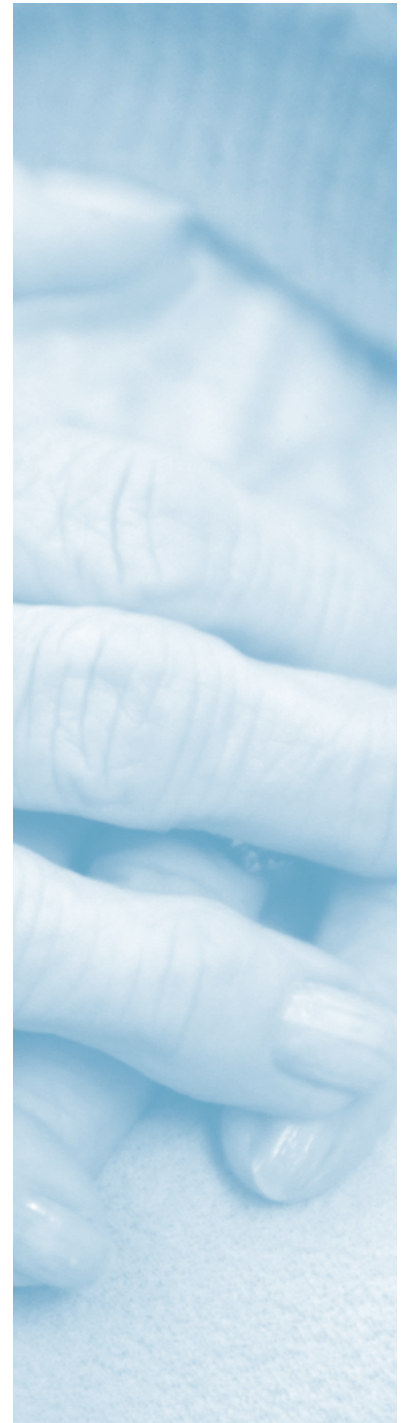
For Catholic-sponsored nursing facilities, housing properties, and other post-acute or long-term care services, benefits of joint AAHSA/CHA membership include:

- ▶ Subscriptions to AAHSA's award-winning *FutureAge* magazine and timely electronic, informational updates
- ▶ Subscriptions to CHA publications, including award-winning *Health Progress*, *Catholic Health World*, and *Washington Update*
- ▶ Discounted member registration fees for CHA and AAHSA educational conferences, publications, and resources
- ▶ Exclusive access to member sections of the associations' websites: www.aahsa.org and www.chausa.org
- ▶ Savings on programs
 - AAHSA: Discounts on insurance programs and group purchasing for medical, office, and housekeeping supplies and equipment
 - CHA: Discounts on benchmarking and telecommunications products and services through CHA Connection
- ▶ Federal representation by two strong national advocacy offices
- ▶ Access to CHA audioconferences on mission, ethics, and Catholic identity

Eligibility for Joint Membership

Your organization is eligible for joint membership if it:

- ▶ Is a freestanding Catholic-sponsored organization located in the United States
- ▶ Is not controlled by a Catholic health care multifacility system
- ▶ Agrees to promote the values of the Catholic health ministry
- ▶ Agrees to support the missions and the purposes of AAHSA and CHA



For More Information

- ▶ *AAHSA members interested in joint membership in CHA*

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- ▶ *CHA members interested in AAHSA membership*

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