



Sponsor Formation Program
for Catholic Health Care
2019 - 2021

“Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers’ victim?”

He [a scholar of the law] answered, “The one who treated him with mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

LUKE 10:36-37

New American Bible, Revised Edition



**SPONSOR FORMATION PROGRAM
FOR CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE**

CHA's Sponsor Formation Program for Catholic Health Care prepares individuals for service as members of Juridic Persons to carry out the health ministry of the Catholic Church.

In addition to a rich grounding in the theological and canonical principles that apply to all sponsorship models, CHA's formation program offers participants opportunities for spiritual development personally and as members of a community who share a deep commitment to advance Jesus' healing mission in the world today.



EAGLEWOOD RESORT AND SPA

in the Chicago area is a peaceful retreat in a beautiful natural setting.

"I come away from these weekends inspired to not only be a part of the PJP but to incorporate a lot of it into my workplace."

"I left recharged, focused and with some tangible actions to be a better leader and better support our team when I return - and do so with an even clearer voice for doing it as a faith based, Catholic health care ministry."

The highlight of the program was "gathering with men and women who have been called to be leaders in Catholic health care ministries and to deepen our call to serve in a vibrant mission that will continue to bring hope and healing for many people."

Overview

OBJECTIVE

To provide a formation program for current and prospective sponsors of Catholic health care.

LOCATION

The program takes place at the Eaglewood Resort & Spa in the Chicago area, conveniently located near the Chicago O'Hare Airport.

FORMAT

The program consists of a series of four weekend sessions in the fall and spring. Each session begins on Thursday evening and ends on Saturday morning.

Gatherings focus on developing and enhancing critical competencies for sponsorship through a combination of reflection, participant involvement, group interaction and presentations by nationally recognized ministry leaders and speakers. In addition, preparatory and follow up materials allow for additional learning integration.

CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION

Participants in CHA's *Sponsor Formation Program for Catholic Health Care* are selected by a sponsoring organization that is a member of the Catholic Health Association. Enrollment is limited to foster meaningful opportunities for reflection, interaction, networking and learning integration. Current sponsors and persons deemed to have demonstrated potential for possible service as a sponsor receive priority consideration. Other leaders of Catholic health ministries who interface with sponsors will also be considered for the program.

EXPENSES

The registration fee for the 2019-2021 program is \$4,000 per participant. The fee includes all program-related costs, hotel accommodations and meals associated with the sessions. Transportation is not included.

Curriculum & Timeframe

The curriculum weaves biblical, theological and spiritual aspects of the sponsorship ministry in a model that incorporates adult learning methods within a framework of ministry formation.

Session One

OCTOBER 10 – 12, 2019

THEME: THE CALL TO SERVE

- ✦ Called to serve in the Church and Catholic health care
- ✦ Exploring spirituality
- ✦ Sponsorship history, theology, and development

Session Two

MARCH 26 – 28, 2020

THEME: TO SERVE WITHIN THE CHURCH

- ✦ Mission and social tradition of the Church
- ✦ Spirituality and community
- ✦ Canon law, sponsorship and health care

Session Three

OCTOBER 8 – 10, 2020

THEME: LIVING OUR TRADITION

- ✦ Catholic Social Tradition
- ✦ *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*
- ✦ Prophetic voice and discernment

Session Four

MARCH 4 – 6, 2021

THEME: SPONSORSHIP TODAY

- ✦ A sign of hope
- ✦ Emerging issues in Catholic health care
- ✦ Sponsorship and health care transformation

Learn More

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THE SHARED STATEMENT OF IDENTITY FOR THE CATHOLIC HEALTH MINISTRY

We are the people of Catholic health care, a ministry of the Church, continuing Jesus' mission of love and healing today. As provider, employer, advocate, citizen – bringing together people of diverse faiths and backgrounds – our ministry is an enduring sign of health care rooted in our belief that every person is a treasure, every life a sacred gift, every human being a unity of body, mind and spirit.

We work to bring alive the Gospel vision of justice and peace. We answer God's call to foster healing, act with compassion and promote wellness for all persons and communities, with special attention to our neighbors who are poor, underserved and most vulnerable. By our service, we strive to transform hurt into hope.

AS THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY OF HEALTH CARE, WE COMMIT TO:

- + Promote and Defend Human Dignity
- + Attend to the Whole Person
- + Care for Poor and Vulnerable Persons
- + Promote the Common Good
- + Act on Behalf of Justice
- + Steward Resources
- + Act in Communion with the Church



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