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What is the AHA Health Care Workforce Scan?

An annual snapshot of health care employment.

Expert recommendations on recruiting, developing, retaining, supporting and protecting health care workers.

A roadmap for hospitals navigating familiar and emerging workforce challenges.



2024 AHA Health Care Workforce Scan

Thriving in today's health care environment requires the vision and commitment to:

Reimagine...

workforce roles and responsibilities.



Redesign...

care delivery and practices.

Transform...

workforce culture and patient care.

Fundamental Factors Transforming the Health Care Workforce

Traditional staffing models need to be reexamined and modernized.

Technology plays a growing role clinically and administratively.

Health care continues to move beyond hospital walls into patient homes and the community.

Hybrid workforce policies are gaining traction.



On the Front Burner: *Providing Quality Care with a Changing Clinical Workforce*

The health care workforce will be configured and distributed differently.

Team-based care 2.0 models increase agility and productivity.

Flexible resource pools and gig initiatives fill staffing gaps, reduce costs and boost satisfaction.

Virtual nursing models free up bedside nurses for direct patient care.

Consider opportunities to bring team members and unlicensed care staff into workflows.





On the Front Burner: *Building a Sustainable and Adaptable Talent Pipeline*

Growing and retaining our health care workforce requires a multipronged approach that includes:

Partnering with government and academia to recruit, train and support workers from historically underserved communities.

Innovatively reconfiguring clinical training.

Purposefully engaging teens.

Upskilling through coaching and mentoring.

Investing in nurse residency programs.

On the Front Burner: Supporting Wellbeing, Satisfaction and Safety

Burnout, disengagement, incivility and violence take a huge toll.

Hospitals must nurture positive work environments and cultures.

Implement a structured yet adaptable framework to address trauma and well-being needs.

Invest in operational and policy initiatives that bolster workplace safety.

Use AI to streamline clinical documentation.



Act Innovatively to Grow, Retain and Support Our Dedicated Workforce

Reimagine care delivery models, workflows and workforce roles.

Focus on understanding what people want and need.

Embrace new opportunities.

Support, empower and protect the workers at every level of our organizations who put patient needs front and center.

Rely on the AHA Health Care Workforce Scan to help you plan strategically and act innovatively.



Download a full copy of the 2024 AHA Health Care Workforce Scan at www.aha.org/aha-workforce-scan.



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