



## American Hospital Association

### *Call for Trustee Nominations*

The Leadership Development Committee of the AHA Committee on Governance (COG) is actively soliciting nominations of trustees for the following leadership positions:

Position	Term	AHA Regions*
<b>Committee on Governance</b>		
* 5 At-Large Members	2015-2017	All
* 1 At-Large Member	2015	All
* 3 Regional Members	2015-2017	1, 4, 5
<b>Regional Policy Boards</b>		
* 3 Regional Trustee Liaisons	2015-2017	1, 4, 5
* 3 Regional Trustee Liaisons	2015-2016	3, 6, 9
* 3 Trustee Delegates	2015-2017	1, 4, 5
* 1 Trustee Delegate	2015	2
* 1 Trustee Alternate	2015	2
* 3 Trustee Alternates	2015-2017	1, 4, 5
<b>Other</b>		
* Task forces, advisory committees	Ad Hoc/Ongoing	All

\* See enclosed map for AHA regions.

***Please submit your nomination materials  
no later than February 25, 2014***

Background information on the COG and RPB and the nominations process is enclosed. The candidate application form is provided as a separate attachment.

*All appointees must be associated with an AHA institutional member hospital or health system throughout their term on the committee. Regional appointees must be associated with an institutional member of the AHA located within the region. Trustee appointees must have at least three years experience as a trustee by the time of the appointment. No more than one representative from a hospital may serve on the same committee, and only one trustee candidate may be nominated per organization per year.*

## ***AHA Committee on Governance***

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### **Purpose**

The Committee on Governance (COG) is one of four specialty committees to the AHA Board of Trustees. The COG is responsible for:

- ◆ Providing input into AHA's policy development
- ◆ Leading effective trustee involvement in grassroots advocacy
- ◆ Providing advice on AHA's trustee initiatives
- ◆ Enhancing communication with and involvement of trustees in the AHA

### **Composition**

The COG is composed of 28 members: the chair-elect, chair, immediate past-chair, nine regional members, and up to 16 at-large members. All members of the COG are expected to serve the mission and goals of the AHA rather than the interests of any one constituency. The COG seeks to have broad racial, ethnic, and gender mix, be geographically diverse, and is composed primarily of health care trustees.

### **Meetings/Term of Office**

The COG usually meets three times a year, with meeting sites across the country. Terms for COG members are usually three years and selected candidates are expected to complete the full term of their appointment.

## ***AHA Regional Policy Boards***

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### **Purpose**

The nine Regional Policy Boards (RPB) assist in fostering and maintaining communication between the AHA and its membership and state associations, and assist in developing AHA policy by providing input on policy issues to be considered by the Board of Trustees; serving as ad hoc policy development committees when appropriate; assisting in implementing AHA policy and programs; and identifying problems and needs unique to the region and assisting in developing programs to meet these needs.

### **Composition**

Each RPB consists of the RPB chair, delegates from each state in the region, constituency and membership section delegates, and regional physician and trustee delegates. There is an alternate delegate for each delegate. Also participating in the RPBs are officers of the AHA Board of Trustees, chief executive officers of state associations, a representative from the American Organization of Nurse Executives, metropolitan/regional association executives, and the Regional Trustee Liaisons.

### **Meetings/Term of Office**

RPBs meet three times a year, with meeting sites rotated among the states in the region. Terms for RPB members are usually three years.

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## **Candidate Criteria**

The Leadership Development Committee is seeking nominations for candidates who have **exhibited accomplishments** in one or more of the following:

- ✓ Leadership in community-focused health care delivery
- ✓ Leadership in local hospital/system or other health care organization board
- ✓ Participation in state or metropolitan health care association activities
- ✓ Participation and leadership in other AHA involvement opportunities
- ✓ Leadership in local or national political advocacy activities

In addition, the following **personal characteristics** are sought in trustee candidates:

- ✓ Demonstrated leadership potential
- ✓ Willingness to devote time for COG/RPB meetings and responsibilities
- ✓ Fairness
- ✓ Consensus builder
- ✓ Ethical
- ✓ Strong interest in public policy discussion and debate
- ✓ Active participant and contributor to discussions
- ✓ Flexibility

## **Nominations Process**

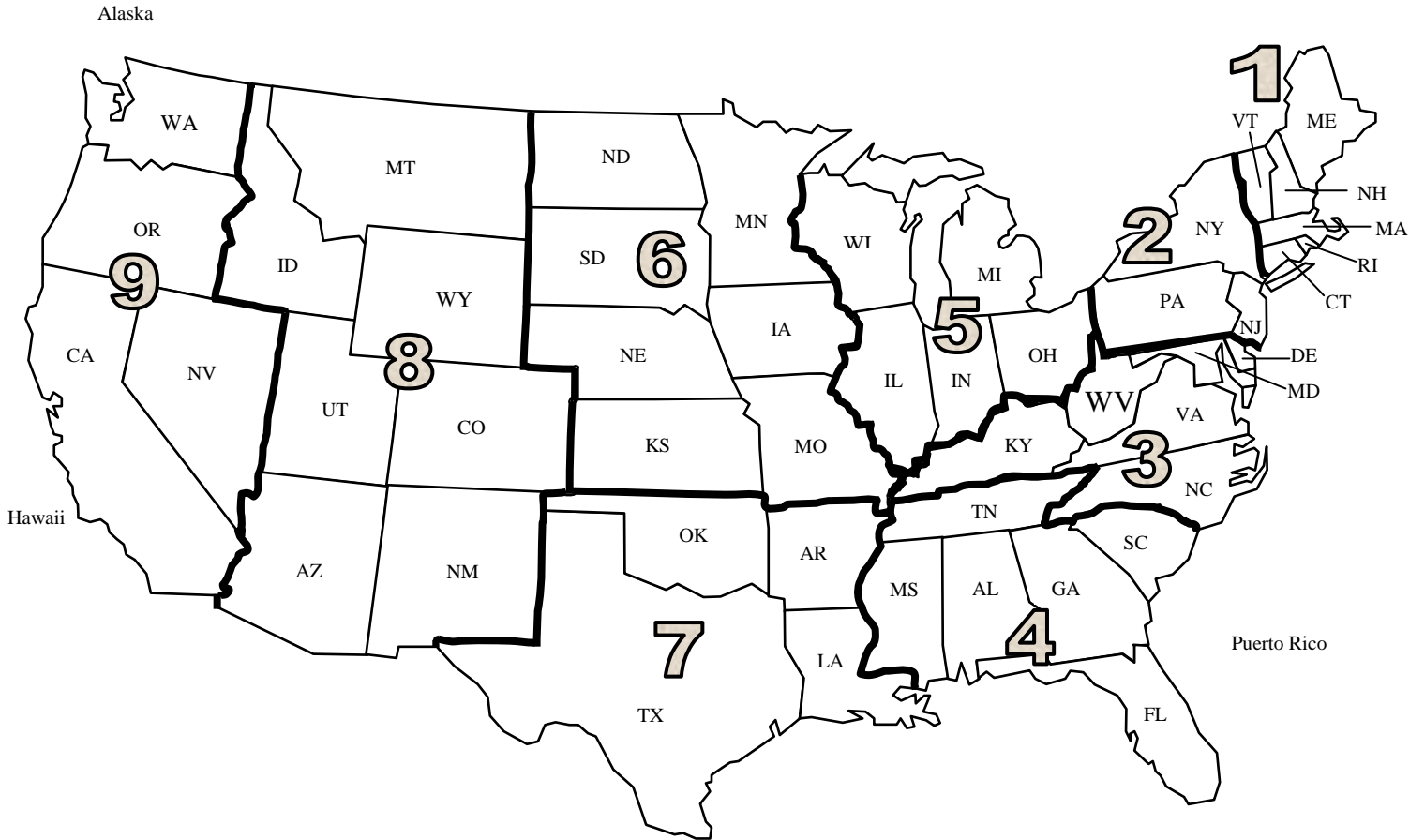
Candidates will be interviewed by telephone by two members of the COG's Leadership Development Committee in the spring. Nominations made by the Leadership Development Committee are forwarded to the Committee on Governance. AHA's Board of Trustees makes final approval of appointments, with letters sent to nominees in the fall.

Those not selected for COG or RPB positions will serve as the trustee leadership pool for other appointments in the American Hospital Association.

## **Questions?**

Staff would be happy to answer any questions you may have. Please call Meg Leahy, Staff Specialist, (312-422-3343) or [mleahy@aha.org](mailto:mleahy@aha.org).

# American Hospital Association Regions



**Region 1**

Connecticut  
Maine  
Massachusetts  
New Hampshire  
Rhode Island  
Vermont

**Region 2**

New Jersey  
New York  
Pennsylvania

**Region 3**

Delaware  
Kentucky  
Maryland  
North Carolina  
Virginia  
West Virginia  
District of Columbia

**Region 4**

Alabama  
Florida  
Georgia  
Mississippi  
South Carolina  
Tennessee  
Puerto Rico

**Region 5**

Illinois  
Michigan  
Indiana  
Ohio  
Wisconsin

**Region 6**

Iowa  
Kansas  
Minnesota  
Missouri  
Nebraska  
North Dakota  
South Dakota

**Region 7**

Arkansas  
Louisiana  
Oklahoma  
Texas

**Region 8**

Arizona  
Colorado  
Idaho  
Montana  
New Mexico  
Utah  
Wyoming

**Region 9**

Alaska  
California  
Hawaii  
Nevada  
Oregon  
Washington