

## **Talking Points for ACHE Membership**

Target Audience: Potential Members

Here are just a few of the benefits that our affiliates receive from ACHE.

**Great Networking Opportunities:** Exchange ideas with over 30,000 healthcare leaders across the continuum of care through mentoring opportunities, message boards, and ACHE seminars and meetings. In addition, ACHE's 83 chapters bring educational programming and networking opportunities locally to members. Membership dues include both national and chapter membership, giving you two memberships at one reasonable price.

**Educational Seminars:** Gain knowledge from ACHE's top-notch educational offerings. With over 150 educational programs annually, there are always opportunities to help you improve your ability to make tough decisions and keep you informed on the important decisions. These programs honor ACHE's commitment to lifelong learning.

**Congress on Healthcare Leadership:** This premier event offers more than 100 educational seminars, chances to network with more than 4,500 ACHE members and a great opportunity to discover the newest trends in healthcare.

**Career Services:** ACHE supports your career through the Healthcare Executive Career Resource Center, giving you the tools you need to manage your career and ensure you are prepared for your next change. The *Job Bank* and *Resume Bank* provide opportunities to search for positions and resumes, and extensive job resources are listed on **ache.org**.

**Premier Credential:** ACHE's FACHE<sup>®</sup> credential—signifying board certification in healthcare management—is an important next step in the career advancement of healthcare executives. Having the FACHE credential after their names demonstrates these leaders' competence, dedication to the field and commitment to lifelong learning—all valuable assets for any professional to have. In fact more than 40 executive search firms agreed that when they interview candidates for executive leadership positions, those who are board certified in healthcare management have a significant advantage over those who are not.

**Publications:** Additional learning opportunities come in the form of ACHE's magazine, *Healthcare Executive*, and its two journals, the *Journal of Healthcare Management* and *Frontiers of Health Services Management*. Adding to the body of knowledge is ACHE's publishing division, Health Administration Press. Through these publications, ACHE can provide leaders with practical solutions to some of today's most challenging healthcare concerns.

**Ethical decision-making:** ACHE serves as a guidepost for ethical and professional conduct within the healthcare management field. ACHE has a *Code of Ethics* each member must adhere to, helping ensure the integrity in the field, and a number of ethics tools to help members use ethical decision-making throughout their organizations.

Through these benefits, healthcare management professionals can advance their knowledge and skills, making them more effective leaders.