



ACHE *Recognition* Program

The American College of Healthcare Executives is dedicated to advancing healthcare management excellence. We fulfill that vision in many ways, including through our educational offerings, credentialing program and collaboration with other healthcare organizations. Through their volunteer activities, individual ACHE members also play a critical role in strengthening our profession. In appreciation of the extensive volunteer involvement of our members, we have implemented the [American College of Healthcare Executives Recognition Program](#).

The ACHE Recognition Program celebrates members' commitment to the healthcare management profession. Recognition is bestowed at three levels based on a range of specific volunteer activities that demonstrate leadership and contributions to furthering professional excellence. All active ACHE members are eligible to be recognized.

The ACHE Recognition Program is based on points accrued through volunteer activities performed in a convocation year (April–March). Points begin to accrue for members beginning with the 2003–2004 convocation year and are cumulative from year to year. A member does not need to achieve a set number of points in a single year, but rather points will build over time. In that manner, members have the opportunity to progress through the three award levels.

Awardees will be acknowledged at their local ACHE chapter, with each chapter determining an appropriate time for the annual award ceremonies.

THE THREE AWARD LEVELS ARE:

- Exemplary Service Award = 125 points
- Distinguished Service Award = 75 points
- Service Award = 30 points

ACHE *Recognition* Program: Activities and Points Awarded

Points are awarded for the following activities performed during a convocation year:

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION	POINTS	DEFINITION
Write an article—Local Chapter*	2	Author or co-author and publish an article of professional substance of at least 800 words in local ACHE chapter publication
Write an article— <i>Journal of Healthcare Management</i> or <i>Frontiers of Health Services Management</i> *	4	Author or co-author and publish an article in <i>JHM</i> or <i>Frontiers</i>
Write a practitioner application for <i>JHM</i> or a commentary for <i>Frontiers</i> *	2	Author and publish a practitioner application for <i>JHM</i> or a commentary for <i>Frontiers</i>
Author of HAP Book Chapter	2	Author who writes a chapter in a HAP book
ACHE Forum Newsletter Author	2	Author an article (at least 800 words) for a Forum newsletter
Mentor—Leadership Mentoring Network	4	Register to be a Mentor
Mentor*	4	Serve as a mentor in the healthcare field for six months
Speaker: Congress Session	4	Participate as a faculty member in a formal Congress seminar or Hot Topic session
Speaker: Local Educational Program*	2	Participate as a faculty member in a chapter or hospital association education program or a federal sector education program delivered at Congress
Uncompensated Presenter at ACHE	2	Present on executive leadership by invitation for an Education Program from ACHE
ACHE Forum Speaker	2	Serve as a noncompensated moderator/panelist for Forum program
Informal Advisor for Fellow Candidates*	2	Serve as informal advisor for Fellow candidates for a minimum of 12 hours per year; not a mentorship
Career Services Volunteer Activity	2	Participate as a resume reviewer or mock interviewer at Congress or Richard Stull essay judge or volunteer in the Career Management Network
Chapter Career Assistance Programs*	2	Serve as job shadow executive, college bowl official or case competition reviewer
Joint Federal Sector Congress Committees*	2	Participate as a member of the Joint Federal Sector Awards Committee; plan and conduct federal sector symposia at Congress

* These items are based on self-reported data.

Points are awarded for the following services provided for at least nine continuous months during or overlapping a convocation year:

SERVICE TO ACHE—CHAPTERS	POINTS	DEFINITION
Chapter President and Chapter Officers	8	Serve as chapter president, president-elect, immediate past president, VP, treasurer, secretary, secretary/treasurer
Chapter Board of Directors (not Officers)	6	Serve as a member of the chapter board
Other Committee Chair (not on Board)	4	Serve as chairman of any chapter committee
Committee Member	2	Serve as a member of any chapter committee
SERVICE TO ACHE—NATIONAL	POINTS	DEFINITION
ACHE Chairman and Chairman Officers	16	Serve as ACHE Chairman, Chairman-Elect, Immediate Past Chairman
ACHE Board of Governors	12	Serve on the ACHE Board of Governors
ACHE Committee or Task Force Chair	4	Serve as chairman of an ACHE Committee
ACHE Committee or Task Force Member	2	Serve on an ACHE committee
Council of Regents	8	Serve as an appointed or elected Regent
Regent's Advisory Council Member	2	Serve as a member of a Regents Advisory Council

Note: All members who advanced to Fellow by the completion of Fellow projects (through 2009) received eight points.