

Health Ministries Association Annual Meeting & Conference History

1989 – Formation of the Health Ministries Association

Chicago, Illinois, Sept. 28, 1989

1989 – Health Ministries Association (HMA) was incorporated as a non-profit organization in Iowa, Dec. 28, 1989

1990 – 1st “We Need Each Other’s Time, Energy and Enthusiasm to Continue to Build our Association”

Allgauers Hotel, Northbrook, IL
Sept. 26, 1990

1991 – 2nd “Meeting for Association Development: Mission/Vision Statement developed; Logo adopted; Chapter development authorized”

Allgauers Hotel, Northbrook, IL
Sept. 27 – 28, 1991

1992 – 3rd “Impacting the Future”

Lutheran Brotherhood Foundation HQ,
Minneapolis, MN
July 24 – 25, 1992

1993 – 4th “The Art of Healing God’s People”

The Carter Center, Atlanta, GA
July 22 – 25, 1993

1994 – 5th “Health Ministries 2000”

Arrowhead Springs Christian Conference Center, Arrowhead Springs, CA
July 14 – 17, 1994

1995 – 6th “Reclaiming Creation”

Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center, Lake Junaluska, NC
July 6 – 10, 1995

1996 – 7th “Faith and Health: Many Traditions, One Goal”

Loyola University, Chicago, IL
July 13 – 15, 1996

1997 – 8th “Break Forth Into Joy” Isaiah 55:12

Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO
June 18 – 21, 1997

1998 – 9th “Let the Spirit of God Flow: A Gathering at Three Rivers”

Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA
June 18 – 21, 1998

1999 – 10th “Whole Person, Whole People, Wholeness in Diversity”

Emory University, Atlanta, GA
June 17 – 19, 1999

2000 – 11th “Dimensions of Leadership: Opening the Door through Health Ministries”

Camp Allen Retreat and Conference Center, Navasota, TX
May 4 – 6, 2000

2001 – 12th “Awaken to the Call of the Faith-Health Movement”

Cintas Center, Xavier University,
Cincinnati, OH
June 18 – 20, 2001

2002 – 13th “Living Your Call to Health Ministry”

Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, CA
June 20 – 23, 2002

2003 – 14th “Making a Difference through Health Ministries”

Valley Forge Hilton, King of Prussia, PA
June 19 – 22, 2003

2004 – 15th HMA National Conference & Exhibition: “Many Faces... Many Ways: Cultural and Racial Diversity”

Seattle Sheraton Hotel and Towers,
Seattle, WA
July 1 – 4, 2004

2005 – 16th “Building Bridges through Health Ministry”

Embassy Suites Downtown/Old Market,
Omaha, NE
June 30 – July 3, 2005

2006 – 17th “Faithful Leadership: Transforming Ministry, Health and Community”

Duke University, Washington Duke Inn and Golf Club, Durham, NC
June 22 – 25, 2006

2007 – 18th “Navigating the River: Journey with us Through Health Ministries’ Healing Waters”

Hyatt Regency San Antonio on the Riverwalk, San Antonio, TX
June 21 – 24, 2007

2008 – 19th “The Healing Power of Gratitude”

Hyatt Regency Irvine, Irvine, CA
June 12 – 15, 2008

2009 – 20th Anniversary Year Celebrating with Regional Conferences: “Vital Partners in Shaping a Healthier Future”

Conference Locations:
Covington, KY – June 3 & 4, 2009
Sacramento, CA – June 12 & 13, 2009
Detroit, MI – Sept. 11 & 12, 2009
Henderson, NC – November 9 & 11, 2009

2010 – 21st National Summit: “A Gathering of National Leaders on Health Ministries and Faith Community Nursing”

Mercy Center, Burlingame, CA
June 13 – 15, 2010

2011 – 22nd Second National Summit: “Mobilizing Health Ministry for the 21st Century”

Techny Towers Conference and Retreat Center, Techny, IL
June 26 – 28, 2011

2012 – 23rd “Faith Communities: Claiming a Pivotal Role in Healthcare”

Scarritt-Bennett Center, Nashville, TN
June 3 – 5, 2012

2013 – 24th “Faith Communities: Building Collaborative Engagement Models for Health”

Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center, Lake Tahoe, NV
June 10 – 12, 2013

2014 – 25th Anniversary “Transforming Lives in Faith Communities and Beyond”

College Park Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, Hyattsville, MD
Sept. 15 – 17, 2014

2015 – 26th “The Journey to Wholeness: Response... Resilience... Rituals... Recovery”

Le Meridian, New Orleans, LA
Aug. 31 – Sept. 2, 2015

2016 – 27th “Journey to Wholeness – Faith Leaders Meeting Community Health Challenges”

Crowne Plaza, San Marcos Golf Resort, Chandler, AZ
Sept. 12 – 14, 2016

2017-2019 National Conferences were all held at St. Elizabeth Training and Education Center, Erlanger, KY

2017 – 28th “The Sacred Practice of Caring: Working Together For Healthier Communities”

Sept. 11 – 13, 2017

2018 – 29th “The Sacred Practice of Caring: Partnering For a Healthy, Hopeful Future”

Sept. 7 – 10, 2018

2019 – 30th “Faith-Based Approaches to Cultivate Healthier Communities”

Oct. 11 – 14, 2019