

United Methodist Association Code of Ethics Policy Statement

The United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries, inspired by and created from the traditions, theology and social conscience of the United Methodist heritage, seeks to promote God's kingdom on earth. Grounded in Scripture, and balanced by reason, tradition and experience, we accept God's covenant, as expressed by Christ's example, to love our neighbors as ourselves. By this covenant, we are called to express our faith through active ministries of healing and caring for God's children.

To these ends,
a member organization of the United Methodist Association of
Health and Welfare Ministries will:

- maintain a safe, secure and accessible environment
- provide services in an atmosphere of holistic caring
- treat all individuals with dignity and respect, guarding against abuse, neglect, invasion of privacy and economic exploitation
- provide spiritual growth opportunities for those receiving and providing services
- respect the personal and professional ethics of all persons providing services
- expect all persons providing services to perform within the standards set by this Code of Ethics
- ensure that all financial policies are based on sound economic principles and are public and non-discriminatory and in keeping with the standards set by this Code of Ethics
- undertake or support actions which will enhance health care and human services
- continuously review and improve the delivery of our services, sharing collective wisdom and experience with Association member organizations.