

Bridging Health and Energy Efficiency Working Group

The American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE) is convening a new working group focused on bridging the health and energy efficiency sectors. ACEEE's Health & Environment team will facilitate working group discussions to share promising practices and case studies, with a goal of strengthening partnerships and facilitating peer exchange between the two sectors.

About the Bridging Health and Energy Efficiency Working Group

The Bridging Health and Energy Efficiency (BHEE) Working Group is an opportunity to build relationships across the health and energy efficiency sectors and to work together toward shared goals. BHEE participants will include energy efficiency professionals, community advocates, public health professionals and program implementers. The group will function as both a peer-to-peer network for information exchange as well as strategic advisors for ACEEE's ongoing research into health and energy efficiency programs, practices and policies. BHEE participants will collaborate to develop a common language across the energy and health sectors, learn from examples of successful partnerships in program design and implementation, and engage in peer education to strengthen their understanding of relevant topics in the health and energy sectors.

What to Expect as a Member of the Working Group

ACEEE will convene regular webinar-based conference calls for group members every six to eight weeks. These calls will feature experts from the health and energy efficiency communities and allow members to exchange ideas. Participants will also have access to the expertise of working group participants and ACEEE staff. The BHEE Working Group will convene through January 2020, leading up to ACEEE's next Conference on Health, Environment and Energy (<https://aceee.org/conferences/2020/chee>).

Participants will benefit from

- Peer learning and bridging sector divides
- Sharing promising practices and case studies
- Tailored research and resources to help address program design and implementation challenges
- An opportunity to highlight achievements through ACEEE conferences, blog posts, or reports
- Ability to pose questions to the group and suggest topics for discussion and consideration
- Help identifying and connecting other organizations

Participants will be expected to

- Be actively working at the intersection of health and energy efficiency and be willing to share their experiences with group members.
- Regularly attend working group conference calls (every 6-8 weeks).
- In some cases, members may participate in one-on-one calls and/or meetings with ACEEE and relevant experts to discuss their progress and potential solutions to challenges they are facing.

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