

## Welcome to the 2023 AHA Convention!

2023 is going to be an opportunity to increase accessibility to our boards, panels, committees, and commissions with our Virtual 2023 Convention. This will be a fantastic time to hear from all our leaders in our AHA as we revitalize our commitments and our members. We are all looking forward to having a productive Convention and bringing AHA into the convenience of your homes, barns, and offices.

Prior to Convention be sure to attend the Plenary Session, Wednesday November 8 via the Zoom platform. This is such an important part of preparation for the business of Convention. We want to ensure we have an opportunity for all our members to participate and allow our proponents to hear from our members in order to further clarify the resolutions before they hit the Convention floor. All members may attend the Plenary Session.

First-timers to the AHA Convention will have a special Zoom meeting to learn about the process and to ask questions about how it all works. We are grateful for your participation in the AHA Convention and want to make sure we do as much as we can to help you be productive and enjoy your AHA experience.

We are looking forward to attending many committee meetings Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday is the Board of Directors meeting. Our awards night will be very special and very inclusive be sure to tune in at 6pm Mountain time Friday November 17. We will have all three general sessions of the business meeting on Saturday, November 18 with the first one beginning at 10 am Mountain time. The AHYA youth board will have a meeting on Sunday, November 19 starting at 9am Mountain time.

Our staff and Convention Planning Committee leadership have been incredible in putting together an efficient and engaging experience for us all. Be sure to take a minute to thank them in the chat!

In planning ahead please make sure you have marked your schedule for your time zone, so you don't miss any of the great information, discussions, decisions, and recognitions of the 2023 Convention.

Be healthy and safe as we Revitalize our passion and purpose as we move the mission of our AHA forward. I personally look forward to seeing you via Zoom and engaging throughout the week! Let's enjoy this time together and I look forward to seeing our support of our friends and our support of our AHA!

Fondly,

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