

Inova Health System



Sustainability Policy Statement

Inova Health System is committed to establishing an environmental program that contributes to a safer and healthier environment for patients, employees, and the community.

Green Building Certification

Inova operates numerous hospitals, urgent care centers, and healthcare facilities in Fairfax County, five of which have received or are in the process of receiving LEED® certification. The most recent certification application is for the new Women's and Children's Center at Fairfax Hospital. Sustainable features at the new facility include highly-efficient energy systems, low-flow plumbing, LED lighting, and a rain garden.

Green Purchasing

Inova spends over \$1 billion each year on supplies, equipment, and services. In order to minimize the lifecycle impacts of products used, Inova's Supply Chain Management strategy incorporates environmentally preferable purchasing (EPP) principles such as the purchase of reprocessed surgical devices and green cleaning products.

Energy Tracking

To facilitate energy management and real-time data analytics, Inova recently installed sub-meters and remote viewing software at its five main hospital campuses. Inova has also been benchmarking its energy consumption for a number of years, in order to easily identify energy and cost saving opportunities.

Waste

Waste management is key to Inova's comprehensive sustainability strategy as it both saves money and reduces impact. Its waste management strategies divert waste from landfills through re-use, repurposing, and recycling. In 2017, Inova recycled over 2 million pounds of materials and donated 57,874 pounds of medical supplies to the international Brother's Brother Foundation.

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Organization Type

Healthcare

Number of Fairfax County Employees

10,000+

Fun Facts

Inova has won numerous awards from Practice Greenhealth, the nation's leading membership organization for sustainable healthcare communities.

In the Spring of 2018, Inova converted to No Antibiotic Ever chicken breast in all of its cafes.

In 2017, more than 18% of Inova Fairfax Medical Campus staff arrived at work using an alternative mode of transportation.

In 2017, Inova achieved their 20% energy use reduction goal and did so two years prior to their 2020 target year.