



ASHE ADVOCACY COMMUNICATIONS HIGHWAY

The Advocacy Communications Highway is ASHE's response to a proliferation of health care regulations that may have confusing and contradictory provisions, which sometimes lead to confusing and contradictory interpretations and implementation by health care providers.

The Highway is a two-way communications network. ASHE gives notice of new or impending regulations or their interpretations to all those affected by these regulations. In turn, recipients may alert ASHE to locally promulgated regulations or regulatory interpretations potentially affecting all Highway participants.

In more detail, this is how it should work: ASHE chapters will choose someone responsible for relaying ASHE communications both to and from the chapter. If comments on a proposed regulation are needed, ASHE staff will provide the framework and timelines within which comments must be submitted.

The exchange of this vital information is essential to ensure that existing and proposed health care regulations are arrived at through a consensus of all interested parties, and that these regulations achieve the desired objective of effectively protecting health care recipients' safety and welfare.