

What's in it for me?

Recently I was talking to an old friend and colleague. We fell to speaking about the National Center for Homeopathy, and he asked me, "What is the importance of the National Center for Homeopathy? Give me one good reason why I should join."

I answered him as best I could, but it prompted me to think more about the NCH and its mission in the homeopathic community. Here is my attempt to better answer his question.

Center for Growing Homeopathy

The National Center for Homeopathy is the largest homeopathic organization in the US. It is a not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to promoting health through homeopathy. It's central mission is to help homeopathy grow and flourish in North America. The NCH provides a center around which this growth can occur. Through the NCH individuals can find the next step on their homeopathic journey, regardless of their level. Whether it be through introducing the general public to homeopathy or educating advanced practitioners in the latest concepts, the NCH helps each individual grow in their knowledge of homeopathy.

Center for Public Information

Much of the work of the NCH is focused at a grassroots level of raising awareness of homeopathy. This requires outreach into the community and a presence at healthcare-related and politically-focused conferences. The NCH serves as a clearinghouse for information. Easy access is provided through the NCH website and toll-free number. NCH helps to connect journalists with experts in the field of homeopathy, and responds to more than 10,000 general inquiries each year.

Center for Connecting the Public with Practitioners

The NCH maintains a directory of members which includes those who identify themselves as homeopathic practitioners. This information is available through the NCH website

Center for Promoting Homeopathic Legislation

The NCH is limited in its political scope by its not-for-profit corporate 501(c)(3) status. However it is active in encouraging public policy that promotes homeopathy and in raising awareness of homeopathy on another level. Homeopathy Today reports on the ongoing

changes in the political environment that affect the practice of homeopathy. NCH is a strong voice in the community promoting health care reforms for increased access to homeopathic care.

Center for first contact

Many people use NCH as their gateway to homeopathy. NCH facilitates forums for newcomers to have their questions answered on the nature of homeopathy and its practice. Through educational programs, NCH encourages the public to try homeopathy for first aid and acute conditions.

Center for Building Community

Community building is an important aspect of the work of NCH. NCH strives to serve the homeopathic community bringing homeopathic students, organization, and practitioners together. We build community through participation in study groups, the camaraderie of Summer School, and the networking of the Annual Conference. NCH honors members of the homeopathic community through the presentation of annual awards and the NCH Board of Directors is a diverse group – a microcosm of the homeopathic community.

Center for Leadership

The NCH provides administrative support for a number of homeopathic community projects and organizations. It strives to represent its member's voices in the homeopathic community and provides an opportunity to influence the direction of homeopathy for the future. It serves a strong voice for homeopathy to the outside world.

Center for Protection of Homeopathy for the future

Many join NCH because they wish to protect homeopathy's future and to ensure that it is alive and well for the next generation. NCH is active in defending homeopathy, including supporting legal defense and fund raising.

Center for Holding a Shared Vision

The NCH works to create and hold a vision of homeopathy's future. It strives to share this vision both with the homeopathic community and the community at large.

What's in it for you?

The National Center for Homeopathy is involved in many aspects of building homeopathy that those who care about homeopathy wish to support. NCH is about homeopathy – which is ultimately about you. You can help support homeopathy by becoming a member and encouraging others to become members of the National Center for Homeopathy.

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