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## Committee on Governance

### **Purpose:**

The Committee on Governance (COG) is one of four specialty committees of the AHA Board of Trustees. The COG is responsible for: 1) providing input into AHA's policy development, 2) leading effective trustee involvement in grassroots advocacy, 3) enhancing communication with and involvement of trustees in the AHA and 4) providing advice on AHA's trustee initiatives.

Hospital and system trustees who serves on the AHA Board are ex officio members of this committee.

### **Membership:**

The committee is composed of the chair-elect, chair and immediate past chair; nine regional members; and up to 16 at-large members.

### **Meetings:**

The COG meets three times per year.

### **Staff:**

Senior Staff: Debra Stock, Vice President, Trustee Services  
Secretary: Rita Harmata, Director, Trustee and Community Leadership