**Past Attendee Testimonials**

When building a business case for your attendance at the 2024 Health Care Facilities Innovation Conference, it is helpful to include the perspective of individuals who have attended the conference in the past. Here are some applicable testimonials from folks who realized benefits for themselves and their organizations by attending an ASHE Conference, which you can include in your justification letter.

From Provider Organizations

* Wide variety of relevant lectures, especially for a newcomer to the field. - *Healthcare Engineer at a Veterans-Focused Medical Center.*
* This was my first conference. I rated everyone as 5 star because of the value I found in the presentation of every single speaker. I’m from a very small facility, but this conference made me make major changes to the approach I’ll use for all my utility projects going forward. I have several medium to large air handlers to replace, steam boilers to phase out, etc., so the information received at this conference will have a significant impact on my facility for years to come.- *Engineer, Government-Owned and Operated Health Care Facility*
* I liked how welcoming everyone was, the senior members were very engaging and you could tell everyone there was interested in improving the industry. *- Facilities Operations Manager, Independent and Nonprofit Regional Health Care System*
* The Exhibit Hall always presents solutions to identified issues at my facility. The networking opportunities are great as well. *Executive Director, Support Services/Operations at a Medical/Surgical Facility*
* The conference was very well organized and the program itself was varied and the focus on sustainability/energy and on staffing issues (retention, apprenticeship, etc.) was right on target. *– Senior Director of Facilities Operations at an Academic Medical Center*
* The conference had instructors that live the material that they are presenting - *Engineering and Facilities Director at a Community Hospital*
* The event had industry experts sharing knowledge, concepts, and methods to address timely healthcare facility issues - *Facilities Director at an Indian Health Service Hospital*
* The overall number of offerings made it tough (in a good way) to pick just one per session run times! -*Facilities Manager at an Integrated Delivery Network*
* The conference was well organized, provided informative presentations and awesome networking opportunities. - *Vice President-Facilities Management at a Continuing Care Community*
* I liked the sessions and the exhibits. I learned things I never knew and spoke with many exhibitors who have great products and services. - *Senior Director of Environment Health Safety at a Physician-Owned Health Care Network*
* It's always inspiring to hear how others have worked through issues that are current pain points for me. - *Business Analyst, National Real Estate Services at a Health System*
* Great insights. This has inspired me to take a bigger role in ASHE and my local chapter! - *Nurse Practitioner at a Community Hospital*
* The information was very relevant to what I do. Also, the trade show was very informative. I was able to find solutions providers that were able to help solve some issues that I am having. - *Facility Supervisor at a Health System*
* The conference provided comprehensive information from accredited sources. - *Facilities Service Manager at a Community Health System*
* This was the first time attending this conference as a Facilities Maintenance Manager. It was informative of what I need to work on as a manager. I am looking forward to more conferences and what else I can learn from it. - *Facilities Maintenance Manager at a Tribally-Chartered Nonprofit Hospital*
* Great networking opportunities with local firms and national vendors. - *Director of Facilities Planning & Development at an Academic Medical Center*
* I liked the variety of levels of education. It allowed new persons to go to beginner classes and experienced persons to gain something from a proper selection of level. - *Director of Plant Operations at a Medical Center*
* The materials presented is suitable to my work. I view ASHE as the experts in the field of Healthcare. - *Construction Project Manager at a Research Hospital*
* The program was professional throughout. The speakers had great energy, the sessions were varied enough to offer something for everyone, and the leaders did a great job. - *General Engineer at a Veterans-Focused Medical Center*
* I liked being able to network with those in the professional and to strengthen existing relations while also building new ones - *Director, Environmental Health & Safety at an Academic Medical Center*
* The speakers were thoughtful in their presentations. They seemed to be well prepared. The event programs were all organized in which it was easy to get from one session to the next without missing the opening presentations. - *Fire/Life Safety Compliance Supervisor at a Health System*
* I really liked the conference and a new focus on risk based management and the discussion around a move towards more outreach. Post pandemic discussions were great. - *Vice President of Facilities and Support Services for a Health System*
* There was very good content that I am able to use when I return to work. - *Director of Facilities at a Community Hospital*
* The Joint Commission update is always helpful information - *Director, Engineering Services at a Health System*
* Excellent balance between education, networks and business partners - *Executive Director of Engineering and Operations at an Academic Medical Center*
* The people you meet experiencing the same problems and all looking for similar solutions. - *Property and MEP Project Manager at a Hospital*
* I'm new to this field getting to know my peers and to meet with vendors that we currently use and those offering services that we need was great. - *Manager, Facilities Services at Hospital*
* If only I had more time! The facility was clean and the staff members were engaging. - *Operations & Facilities Manager at a Community Hospital*
* Updates and new pathways to improve and increase efficiency in my career. - *Director of Facilities at a Health System*
* Networking was amazing. Came away with five strong bullets of major things that will benefit my hospital. - *Director of Support Services at a Health System*

From Federal/State/Local Health Agency

* The focus on decarbonization was truly a leadership move by ASHE and one that will help set up hospitals to meet current state and local mandates, and possibly federal ones. Thanks for taking the long view! - *National Program Manager at a Federal Agency*
* I was able to refresh my learning on topics that I hadn't reviewed in some time. - *Director of Facilities at a Federal Health Agency*
* I liked the up-to-date information and the methods of presenting were varied enough to make it interesting. - *Architect at a State Department of Health*
* It was great being able to talk in person with knowledgeable colleagues about healthcare issues we are currently facing. - *Facility Engineering Specialist at a State Regulatory Agency*

From Architecture/Engineering/Construction Firms

* I appreciated hearing differing viewpoints and challenges that others face, as well as the best practices they have learned from them. - *Service Manager at a General Contractor and Construction Management Company*
* The sessions offered were all insightful and appropriate for current challenges in our field - *Project Manager at a Design/Construction Firm*
* Most speakers really kept the attention and kept the presentations fun and entertaining while teaching valuable lessons. - *Senior Program Manager at a Construction Management, General Contracting, and Design-Build firm*
* The diversity of options to select from for learning opportunities were great. I also appreciated the emphasis being placed on targeting young professionals. - *President at an Engineering and Contractor Firm*
* I liked the knowledge gained, and the validation of past work when compared to others who had similar experiences. - *Principal at an Engineering Firm*
* This is my first ASHE show though I am 30 years of being a technologist. I go to many conferences and overall this is a good one. Amazing breadth of content and a great exhibitor floor experience. - *Department Leader, Business Technology, Principal at an Engineering/Architecture Firm*
* The general session speakers were really top class! - *Market Sector Leader-Healthcare at an International Design Firm*

From Solutions/Services Providers

* I enjoyed most the energy of everyone getting together will similar goals and backgrounds. *- Senior Project Manager at a Healthcare Facilities Services Company*
* The content and networking are exceptional at this conference. - *Healthcare Business Development Manager at a Building Management Technologies and Services Firm*
* I had a great time meeting peers, friends, competitors, and getting answers! - *CEO at a Consulting Firm*
* Venue and hours were appropriate for vendors. Leads seem to be good. Traffic to booths was strong. - *National Accounts Sales Lead at a Fire and Life Safety Service Provider*