

How Do You Become a Take Heart America Site?

- Review the Take Heart America vision, mission and key principles.
 - Do they align with your community's values and priorities?
- Review the Take Heart America Bundle of Care
 - Are the key stakeholders in your community committed to collecting data, tracking progress, and reporting outcomes consistent with CARES data points?
- Participate in the Take Heart America Community Site Collaborative web-based meetings
- Complete the Take Heart America Gap Analysis
- Schedule an on-site or web meeting with your local stakeholders and a Take Heart America team
- Establish your tailored site implementation plan**

What are you agreeing to do?

- Perform a Take Heart America Gap Analysis of your Site to identify areas for potential improvement
- Commit to a data collection consistent with CARES data points monitoring progress, and reporting outcomes that include survival to hospital discharge with neurological outcomes
- Identify your site Program Manager and Medical Director
- Establish your local Site Collaborative or Advisory Board with a membership of key stakeholders from each element in the Take Heart Bundle of Care
- Develop your site-specific Implementation Plan that includes elements of Take Heart America's:
 - Community education, advocacy, and mobilization
 - Public & lay rescuer training
 - First responders training, quality assurance, and technology procurement
 - EMS training, quality assurance, and technology procurement
 - Pediatric medical expertise
 - In-hospital cardiac and ICU expertise
 - Development of Cardiac Arrest Centers
 - Data collection and reporting
 - Post discharge care and support for all who are touched by cardiac arrest
- Investigate funding opportunities
- Develop site-specific marketing plan
- Track and report outcomes and progress to full implementation of the Take Heart Bundle of Care

Take Heart America is committed to providing guidance and assisting new site champions with all aspects of strategy implementation and site development.

** The only Take Heart America requirement is that sites track and report their outcomes. All other Take Heart implementation initiatives are guided by what resources are available to optimize resuscitation outcomes in each site. In your community survival rates with favorable neurological outcomes can be optimized by adopting the Take Heart America recommendations.