At HCA Healthcare, our responsibility is to the health and well-being of our patients and our colleagues.

Creating healthy communities includes maintaining a healthy environment. As stewards of the environment, we work to protect and preserve natural resources by greening hospital practices, promoting conservation and exercising environmentally conscious purchasing.

**Waste Stream**

We continually mitigate our waste impact through extensive recycling initiatives, including thousands of pounds of rechargeable batteries and cardboard, as well as increased composting, duplex printing, pharmaceutical waste disposal, and mercury and polystyrene reduction.

**Construction and Renovation**

We are committed to alternative energy sources, sustainable building material choices, construction and demolition waste recycling, and our environmental building scorecards. We are also proud to have several Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified facilities.

**Environmental Purchasing**

We are continually employing greener alternatives, including purchasing reusable and reprocessed single-use devices, setting minimum purchasing standards and improving the availability of information regarding green product attributes.

**Energy and Water**

Our facilities continuously monitor energy performance and improve energy efficiency by employing alternative energy sources, sustainable water usage and rigorous efficiency standards.

**Statistics**

- **28M** pounds of cardboard, paper, aluminum, wood and batteries recycled in 2019
- **1.05M** kWh reduction in energy usage in 2019 (compared to 2018)
- **74M** pounds of construction waste recycled in 2019
- **1.1M** pounds of devices diverted from landfills in 2019

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HCA Healthcare is committed to creating the safest community of care possible.

Our patients, colleagues and loved ones should feel secure and know they are in good hands when they are in our care. We strive to ensure that safety is never a concern by investing in clinical studies, state of the art protocols, security technology, colleague training and more.

**Clinical Safety**

- We have created a robust safety learning organization where we use safety science and systems engineering to redesign and improve our processes.
- Our Patient Safety Organization provides a coordinated, systematic and evidence-based approach to safety across the enterprise, and supports our operators in safety improvement initiatives.
- In 2019, we began development and piloting of our next-generation adverse event management system that will provide real-time, comprehensive insights into patient safety within our facilities.

**Data Security**

- All of our colleagues receive annual training on how to handle and protect sensitive patient data.
- We comply with regulatory requirements around data protection, from HIPAA to Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards, and conduct internal and/or external audits annually to assure compliance.
- We have a team, policies and procedures dedicated to provisioning, managing and terminating user access to ensure patient data security.

**Physical Security**

- More than 3,000 healthcare-trained security officers help protect our sites of care.
- In 2019, more than 170,000 of our colleagues completed training in areas such as de-escalation, situational awareness and active shooter preparedness.
- HCA Healthcare provides access to LiveSafe, a security app, so all colleagues can instantly text or call local security with concerns.
- We use advanced camera, alarm, access control and exterior lighting technologies throughout our hospital campuses.