

# NEW YORK STATE HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY



60,000  
HOSPITAL  
BEDS



269  
HOSPITALS



The state's healthcare industry generates close to:

750  
TONS/DAY



of solid waste

35  
MILLION  
GALLONS/DAY



of waste water

Hospitals are under increasing pressure to provide high quality care while reducing costs. In addition to improving the environmental health of their communities, healthcare institutions in New York State and around the country are realizing the value of adopting sustainable practices as a means to reduce costs without compromising quality care.

## Learn how healthcare facilities are reducing costs and operating more efficiently.

Actions	Outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create a sustainability team</li><li>• Conduct simple regulated medical waste audits</li><li>• Observe and measure food waste</li><li>• Implement environmentally preferable purchasing (EPP)</li><li>• Train staff on proper disposal methods</li><li>• Implement continuous improvement practices</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spend less on purchasing products</li><li>• Save cost on waste disposal</li><li>• Create a healthier environment for patients and staff</li><li>• Divert food from landfill and out of your MSW stream</li><li>• Improve communication with suppliers</li><li>• Drive demand for sustainable alternatives to products</li></ul>

## How can New York State healthcare facilities benefit?

New York State Pollution Prevention Institute (NYSP2I) will work to identify relevant operational data and conduct on-site observations of processes and material handling. After identifying opportunities for improvements and/or savings, NYSP2I can also perform detailed technical and economic feasibility analyses of the improvement options identified and provide expected cost savings and anticipated environmental benefits.

[Learn more](#) about what NYSP2I has done in this sector.

## Clients

ROCHESTER  
REGIONAL HEALTH

Catholic Health  
Mercy Hospital of Buffalo

Catholic Health  
Sisters of Charity Hospital

Ellis  
MEDICINE

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