



# **CHA and AHA Advocacy Days**

#### New Year, New Congress, Same Fiscal Dilemmas

While the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 pulled the nation back from the edge of the so-called "fiscal cliff," it only did so temporarily. In the coming months, the 113th Congress faces three looming fiscal deadlines that could critically affect America's hospitals: <u>in late February/early March</u>, the country will face the need to raise the national debt limit; <u>on March 1</u>, the automatic "sequester" cuts from the 2011 Budget Control Act kick in; and **on March 27**, the continuing resolution that funds the government for FY 2013 expires.

### Your Voice is Needed in Washington to Bring Clarity

We need to ensure Congress does not impose arbitrary payment cuts to hospitals, but instead offers real solutions to our nation's problems. We need your voice in Washington. Legislators are drowning in facts; only you can bring understanding about the impact cuts would have on health care delivery. You can make a difference on Capitol Hill by adding your voice to those of your colleagues. Plan to attend an upcoming CHA and AHA Advocacy Day. You'll have the opportunity to meet with your legislators and talk to them directly about the challenges facing your patients and your community.

## **Register Now**

Wednesday, February 13

L'Enfant Plaza Hotel 480 L'Enfant Plaza, SW Washington, DC 20024 Tuesday, February 26

The Liaison Hotel 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001

## **Schedule**

9:00 a.m. – Continental Breakfast 9:30 a.m. – Briefing on Key Issues Hill Visits to follow

\*Please RSVP so CHA can make congressional appointments for you and your colleagues.

To RSVP or if you have any questions, please contact Megan Howard at <a href="mailto:mhoward@calhospital.org">mhoward@calhospital.org</a>, or 202-488-

#### **Hotel Information**

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Rooms available for the night of Feb. 12 prior to the Feb. 13 Advocacy Day at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, Washington, DC for \$189 (800-635-5065). *Mention Group Code AHA213 AHA Advocacy Day*.

Rooms available for the night of Feb. 25 prior to the Feb. 26 Advocacy Day at the Liaison Hotel, Washington, DC for \$319 (866-233-4642). *Mention AHA Advocacy Day*.