

History of the Organization

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The HBA was formed in 1977 by five professional women in the Northeast area of the United States. These founders recognized the need for women in healthcare to come together to exchange industry and career information and resources. They began informally, but meetings quickly grew in number and led to the establishment of the Healthcare Businesswomen's Association (HBA).

Upon establishment of the HBA in 1979 as a non-profit, events were held in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. As members relocated and wanted the networking and skill-building programs offered only by the HBA, the association expanded to meet the needs of industry women across the country and around the world. Since the first HBA chapter was launched in 2000, the HBA has grown to include dozens of locations across six continents.
