

Environmental Sustainability Event Policy

Choosing Wisely Canada's National Meeting at the Globe and Mail Centre
| May 25 and May 26, 2026

We believe less is more. That's why Choosing Wisely Canada is committed to environmentally sustainable practices at the 2026 National Meeting.

Choosing Wisely Canada's 2026 National Meeting will include a focus on the role of low-value care in contributing to waste, harm, and the climate crisis. In our effort to raise awareness among clinicians, patients, researchers, and system leaders about this issue in health care, we are also conscious of working with vendors at the event to limit waste and harm to the environment.

Here's how we're engaging in sustainable practices at the 2026 National Meeting:

- The Globe and Mail Centre is a LEED-certified building. This global standard recognizes buildings that have low carbon emissions, conserve resources, and reduce operating costs by prioritizing sustainable practices.
- Beverage and food services at the two-day event will use glassware as opposed to plastic. Catering services will use rental platters, plates, cutlery and be responsible for proper waste disposal. Our selected caterer uses fresh, local, and sustainable ingredients.
- The event will prioritize the use of reusable and recyclable materials in all aspects of the event, including signage and promotional materials. Limited printed event materials will be available and exhibiting organizations will be encouraged to share resources virtually where possible. Single-use plastic will be avoided for name badges or other event materials.
- Transportation to the Globe and Mail Centre is accessible by public transit via TTC (504 streetcar) or a shuttle bus from Union Station is also available directly to the event space.
- The National Meeting is largely attended by local participants, helping to minimize travel and its environmental impact. To broaden access, keynote and major sessions will also be live streamed via Zoom.

Taking steps to reduce environmental impact benefits both the planet and our attendees. If you have any questions, feedback, or concerns regarding the 2026 National Meeting, please feel free to reach out to us at events@choosingwiselycanada.org.