

How We Collect and Use Information

We collect the following types of information about you:

Information you provide us directly:

We ask for certain information such as your Name, Email Address, Phone Number, Alternative Phone Number, Preference about receiving texts from HIH TEC, Age, Grade, Gender, Church Name, Church Address, Parent Name, Spouse Name, Parent Phone Number, Spouse Phone Number, Why you would like to attend a TEC weekend, Disability Information, Allergy Information, Medication Information, and more when you use the HIH TEC online application, or if you correspond with us. We may also retain any messages you send to the HIH TEC Council or leadership members. We use this information to operate, maintain, and provide to you the features and functionality of running HIH TEC retreat weekends.

Analytics information:

We may directly collect analytics data, or use third-party analytics tools and services, to help us measure traffic and usage trends for our website. These tools collect information sent by your browser or mobile device, including the pages you visit and other information that assists us in improving our website.

Cookies information:

When you visit our website, we may send one or more cookies — a small text file containing a string of alphanumeric characters — to your computer that uniquely identifies your browser and lets HIH-TEC enhance your navigation through the site. A cookie may also convey information to us about how you use our website (e.g., the pages you view, the links you click and other actions you take on our website), and allow us to track your usage of our website over time. A persistent cookie remains on your hard drive after you close your browser. Persistent cookies may be used by your browser on subsequent visits to the site. Persistent cookies can be removed by following your web browser's directions. A session cookie is temporary and disappears after you close your browser. You can reset your web browser to refuse all cookies or to indicate when a cookie is being sent. However, some features of our website may not function properly if the ability to accept cookies is disabled.

Log file information:

Log file information is automatically reported by your browser or mobile device each time you access our website. When you use our Service, our servers automatically record certain log file information. These server logs may include anonymous information such as your web request, Internet Protocol ("IP") address, browser type, referring / exit pages and URLs, number of clicks and how you interact with links on our website, domain names, landing pages, pages viewed, and other such information.

Device identifiers:

When you access our website by or through a mobile device (including but not limited to smart-phones or tablets), we may access, collect, monitor and/or remotely store one or more “device identifiers,” such as a universally unique identifier (“UUID”). Device identifiers are small data files or similar data structures stored on or associated with your mobile device, which uniquely identify your mobile device. A device identifier may be data stored in connection with the device hardware, data stored in connection with the device’s operating system or other software, or data sent to the device by HIH-TEC. A device identifier may convey information to us about how you browse and use our website and services. A device identifier may remain persistently on your device, to help enhance your navigation through our website. Some features of our website may not function properly if use or availability of device identifiers is impaired or disabled.

Location data:

When you access our website by or through a mobile device, we may access, collect, monitor and/or remotely store “location data,” which may include GPS coordinates (e.g. latitude and/or longitude) or similar information regarding the location of your mobile device. Location data may convey to us information about how you browse and use our website. Some features of our website, particularly location-based services, may not function properly if use or availability of location data is impaired or disabled.

Commercial and marketing communications:

We use the information we collect or receive, such as your email address, to communicate directly with you. We may send you emails containing newsletters, promotions, and special offers. If you do not want to receive such email messages, you will be given the option to opt out or change your preferences. We also use your information to send you website-related emails (e.g., account verification, reminders, changes/updates to features of our website, technical and security notices). You may not opt out of Service-related emails.

Use of certain service type information we collect about you:

We use or may use cookies, log file, device identifiers, location data and clear gifs information to: (a) remember information so that you will not have to re-enter it during your visit or the next time you visit the site; (b) provide custom, personalized content and information; (c) to provide and monitor the effectiveness of our website; (d) monitor aggregate metrics such as total number of visitors, traffic, and demographic patterns; (e) diagnose or fix technology problems; (f) help you efficiently access your information after you sign in; (g) to provide advertising to your browser or device.

Sharing of Your Information

We will not rent or sell your information into third parties outside HIH-TEC and its group companies (including any parent, subsidiaries and affiliates) without your consent, except as noted below:

- Who we may share your information with: We may share your information with third-party business partners, Trusted Users, HIH-TEC Council members, and the entire HIH-TEC community for the purpose of providing our website and services to you. Third party business partners will be given access to your information as is reasonably necessary to deliver the Service, and we will require that such third parties comply with this Privacy Policy, or operate under a similar privacy policy.
- Who can see your information: Any information that you voluntarily disclose to us on our website becomes available to the entire HIH-TEC community and cannot be removed, except by HIH-TEC in its sole discretion. Your information will be used to conduct normal business and allow the HIH-TEC community to connect with one another. Once given to HIH-TEC, information may not be removable, as copies may remain viewable in cached and archived pages of our website and services, or if other members of the HIH-TEC community have copied or saved that information. If you do not wish your information to be available to the HIH-TEC community, please don't transmit it on our websites or services.
- Who can see your IP address: A selection of Trusted Users with administrative powers on the HIH-TEC website and services have the ability to review IP addresses of users to reduce abusive behavior. Any third party service embedded on HIH-TEC such as an advertiser, video provider, social network or other third party will also have access to your IP address.

Instances where we are required to share your information:

HIH-TEC will disclose your information where required to do so by law or subpoena or if we reasonably believe that such action is necessary to (a) comply with the law and the reasonable requests of law enforcement; (b) to enforce our Terms of Use or to protect the security, quality or integrity of our website; and/or (c) to exercise or protect the rights, property, or personal safety of HIH-TEC, our Users, or others.

Sharing certain service type information we collect about you:

We may share certain service type information, including information obtained through tools such as cookies, log files, device identifiers, location data and clear gifs (such as anonymous usage data, referring/exit pages and URLs, platform types, number of clicks, etc.): (i) with our third-party business partners for the purposes described in the section above on "How We Collect and Use Information."

The HIH-TEC Privacy Policy does not apply to, and we cannot control the activities of third-parties. Please consult the respective privacy policies of such third parties or contact such third parties for more information.

How We Store and Protect Your Information

Storage and Processing:

Your information collected through our website may be stored and processed in the United States or any other country in which HIH-TEC or its subsidiaries, affiliates, or service providers maintain facilities. HIH-TEC may transfer information that we collect about you, including personal information, to affiliated entities, or to other third parties across borders and from your country or jurisdiction to other countries or jurisdictions around the world. If you are located in the European Union or other regions with laws governing data collection and use that may differ from U.S. law, please note that we may transfer information, including personal information, to a country and jurisdiction that does not have the same data protection laws as your jurisdiction, and you consent to the transfer of information to the U.S. or any other country in which HIH-TEC or its parent, subsidiaries, affiliates, or service providers maintain facilities and the use and disclosure of information about you as described in this Privacy Policy.

Keeping your information safe:

HIH-TEC cares about the security of your information, and uses commercially reasonable safeguards to preserve the integrity and security of all information collected through our website. However, HIH-TEC cannot ensure or warrant the security of any information you transmit to HIH-TEC or guarantee that information on our website may not be accessed, disclosed, altered, or destroyed. HIH-TEC cannot ensure or warrant the security of any of your information that is transmitted and used by third party partners and products. Your privacy settings may also be affected by changes to the functionality of third party sites and services that you add to the HIH-TEC Service, such as social networks. HIH-TEC is not responsible for the functionality or security measures of any third party.

Your Choices about Your Information

You may update your account information and email-communication preferences at any time by contacted any member of the HIH-TEC Council or leadership team.

We make every effort to promptly process all unsubscribe requests. As noted above, you may not opt out of Service-related communications (e.g., account verification, purchase and billing confirmations and reminders, changes/updates to features of our website, technical and security notices). If you have any questions about reviewing or modifying your account information, you can contact us directly at info@hihtec.org.

Opting out of collection of your information for Tracking / Advertising:

Please refer to your mobile device or browser's technical information for instructions on how to delete and disable cookies, and other tracking/recording tools. Depending on your type of device, it may not be possible to delete or disable tracking mechanisms on your mobile device. Note that disabling cookies and/or other tracking tools prevents HIH-TEC or its business partners from tracking your browser's activities in relation to our website, and for use in targeted advertising activities by third parties. However, doing so may disable many of the features available through our website. If you have any questions about opting out of the collection of cookies and other tracking/recording tools, you can contact us directly at info@hihtec.org.

Children's Privacy

HIH-TEC does not knowingly collect or solicit any information from anyone under the age of 13 or knowingly allow such persons to register as Users. Our website and its content are not directed at children under the age of 13. In the event that we learn that we have collected personal information from a child under age 13 without verification of parental consent, we will delete that information as quickly as possible. If you believe that we might have any information from or about a child under 13, please contact us at info@hihtec.org.

Links to Other Websites and Services

We are not responsible for the practices employed by websites or services linked to or from the Service, including the information or content contained therein. Please remember that when you use a link to go from our website to another website, our Privacy Policy does not apply to third-party websites or services. Your browsing and interaction on any third-party website or service, including those that have a link or advertisement on our website, are subject to that third party's own rules and policies. In addition, you agree that we are not responsible and we do not control over any third-parties that you authorize to access your User Content. If you are using a third-party website or service (like Facebook, Google groups, or an IRC chatroom) and you allow such a third-party access to you User Content you do so at your own risk. This Privacy Policy does not apply to information we collect by other means (including offline) or from other sources other than through the Service.