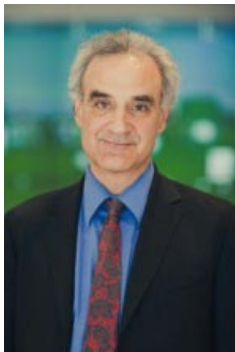




### **Biography**

#### **Gary Cohen, President and Co-Founder**



Gary Cohen has been a pioneer in the environmental health movement for thirty years.

Cohen is Co-Founder and President of Health Care Without Harm ([www.noharm.org](http://www.noharm.org)), and Practice Greenhealth ([www.practicegreenhealth.org](http://www.practicegreenhealth.org)). He was also instrumental in bringing together the NGOs and hospital systems that formed the Healthier Hospitals Initiative ([www.healthierhospitals.org](http://www.healthierhospitals.org)). All three were created to transform the health care sector to be environmentally sustainable and serve as anchor institutions to support environmental health in their communities.

Cohen was Executive Director of the Environmental Health Fund for many years. He has helped built coalitions and networks globally to address the environmental health impacts related to toxic chemical exposure and climate change.

#### **Board Activity**

Cohen is a member of the International Advisory Board of the Sambhavna Clinic in Bhopal, India, which has been working for over 25 years to heal people affected by the Bhopal gas tragedy and to fight for environmental cleanup in Bhopal.

He is also on the Boards of the American Sustainable Business Council, Health Leads and Coming Clean.

#### **Awards**

In 2006, Cohen received the Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship.

In 2007, he received the Frank Hatch Award for enlightened public service.

In 2011, The New England Office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) awarded Cohen an Environmental Merit Award in recognition of exceptional work and commitment to the environment.

Cohen was named by the *Huffington Post* as a Game Changer in Healthy Living, as well as being named an Ashoka Fellow.

In 2013, he was awarded the Champion of Change Award for Climate Change and Public Health by the White House.