

Advocacy Convergence in Medicine: Analyzing Legislative Priorities and Political Action Committee Overlap Among Major Medical Societies

Dhruv Puri¹, Kaitlyn P. Lew¹, Celeste Hsu¹, Yahir Santiago-Lastra¹

¹University of California San Diego, School of Medicine, San Diego, CA



Background

Medical societies play a pivotal role in shaping healthcare policy by advocating for legislative priorities that impact patient care, physician well-being, and public health.

We examined the **legislative priorities**, **political contribution overlaps**, and **federal agencies lobbied** by six major medical societies

- · American Urological Association (AUA)
- American Medical Association (AMA)
- American College of Surgeons (ACS)
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)
- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

By understanding the **alignment of advocacy efforts**, we can better coordinate policy strategies to enhance physician representation and healthcare outcomes.

Overlapping Official Legislative Priorities

Legislative Priority	AMA	AUA	ACS	ACOG	AAP	AAFP
Administrative Burden Reduction	√	√	√	√	√	√
Telemedicine Access	V	√	√	√	√	√
Physician Burnout/Workforce Well-being	√	√	√	✓	√	√
Health Equity	√	√	√	√	√	√
Medicare Reform	√	√	√	√		√
Public Health Infrastructure	√		√	√	√	√
Maternal Health	√		√	√	√	
Proactive Cancer Screening (e.g., PSA, Mammography)	V	✓	√	V		
Prostate Cancer Research		√	√			
Childhood Immunizations					√	√
Primary Care Financing	√					√
Digital Health Liability & Risk	V	√				
Medical Malpractice/Legal Liability Reform	√		√			





