



AMERICAN
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CARDIOLOGY

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE



AGENDA

SATURDAY, OCT. 4

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Sandra J. Lewis Midcareer Women's Institute (Yellowstone/Everglades) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
8:15 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Leadership Accelerator (Offsite - Heart House) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	HeartPAC Executive Committee Meeting (Capitol A) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	Sandra J. Lewis Cohort 1 Team Building (Bryce) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	BOG Steering Committee Meeting (Offsite - Heart House) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.	HeartPAC Founder's Club Dinner (Offsite - Osteria Mozza) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
6:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Sandra J. Lewis Midcareer Women's Institute Dinner (Offsite - Ottoman Taverna) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	BOG Steering Committee Dinner (Offsite - Rasika West End) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>

SUNDAY, OCT. 5

7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Registration (Meeting Level)
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Leadership Accelerator (Offsite - Heart House) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Board of Governors Meeting (Regency A) <i>*Invite Only*</i>

SUNDAY, OCT. 5 *(Continued)*

8 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Section & Council Meetings 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Section Steering Committee Meeting (Congressional B) 8 - 10 a.m. <i>*Invite Only*</i> 10:15 a.m. - 1 p.m. <i>*Open to All*</i> 8 - 9:30 a.m. HEDI Leadership (Olympic) <i>*Invite Only*</i> 8:45 a.m. - 2 p.m. Women in Cardiology (Columbia B) 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. CV Team Pre-Session (Regency C)
2 - 4 p.m.	Health Affairs Committee Meeting (Capitol) <i>*Invite Only*</i>
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	Membership Listening Session (Columbia C) <i>*Invite Only*</i>
4 - 5 p.m.	Legislative Conference Advisor Meetup (Columbia A & District A) <i>*Open to members who opted to participate in this program during registration and were assigned an advisor group number.*</i>
5 - 5:30 p.m.	HeartPAC VIP Meet & Greet (Regency Ballroom) <i>*This is a separate ticketed event.*</i>
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	HeartPAC Event (Regency Ballroom) <i>*This is a separate ticketed event.*</i>
MONDAY, OCT. 6	
7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Registration (Meeting Level)
7 - 9 a.m.	Breakfast Available (District B)
7 - 8 a.m.	Young Professionals Coffee and Donuts (Lobby) <i>*Open to FIT, Early Career, Medical Student and Medical Resident members*</i>
8 - 9 a.m.	Chapter Executives Breakfast (Lexington & Bunker Hill) <i>*Invite-Only*</i>
8 - 8:05 a.m.	Welcome from ACC CEO Cathy Gates (Regency Ballroom)
8:05 - 8:50 a.m.	President's Address and Q&A (Regency Ballroom)
8:50 - 9:45 a.m.	Prior Authorization Reform: Milestones, Momentum, and the Road Ahead (Regency Ballroom) <i>ACC leaders and congressional staffers from the U.S. House and Senate will discuss legislative and regulatory challenges surrounding prior authorization and highlight effective advocacy strategies that have helped shape our current reform efforts.</i>

MONDAY, OCT. 6 *(Continued)*

9:45 - 10 a.m.	Break
10 - 10:50 a.m.	REMARKable Conversations Live: Understanding Proposed Rules in a Shifting Regulatory Landscape (Regency Ballroom) <i>ACC President Christopher M. Kramer, MD, FACC, and guests will provide an overview of changes to the 2026 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule and Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System proposed rules and how they will impact cardiovascular clinicians. The discussion will also cover ACC's engagement in the rulemaking process and with the agency overall as this administration seeks to make structural changes to how they use recommendations from the American Medical Association's Relative Value Scale Update Committee to inform future physician payment rates.</i>
10:50 - 11 a.m.	President's Awards for Distinguished Public Service (Regency Ballroom)
11 - 11:15 a.m.	Break
11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Legislative Issue Briefing (Regency Ballroom) <i>ACC's Congressional Affairs team will dive into this year's talking points, arming members with all the information they will need for successful Hill meetings on Tuesday.</i>
12:30 - 1:15 p.m.	Rural, Urban & In-Between: Messaging With Community in Mind (Regency Ballroom) <i>ACC members from various community settings – rural, urban and everything in between – will share how they plan to approach and communicate this year's talking points, each reflecting their community's unique needs and perspectives.</i>
1:15 - 1:45 p.m.	Break/Lunch Opens
1:45 - 3 p.m.	Health Policy Open House (Regency Ballroom) <i>Visit various tables to get questions answered about talking points, connect with Advocacy Associates about your Hill visits or learn more about other core areas of ACC Advocacy.</i> Establishing Sustainable Payment Practices <i>Members of the ACC Advocacy team will be available to answer questions related to this talking point theme.</i> Fostering Care Transformation and Optimization <i>Members of the ACC Advocacy team will be available to answer questions related to this talking point theme.</i>

	<p>Championing Access to Care For All & Bolstering the Clinician Workforce Now and For the Future <i>Members of the ACC Advocacy team will be available to answer questions related to this talking point theme.</i></p> <p>State Government Affairs <i>Members of ACC's State Government Affairs team will be available to answer any state-related advocacy questions and will share recent victories and challenges from state legislatures across the country.</i></p> <p>Value-Based Care <i>Learn more about ACC's work in advancing value-based care.</i></p> <p>Health Equity <i>Members of ACC's Health Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (HEDI) team will be available to answer questions about the College's work in the HEDI space.</i></p> <p>Advocacy Associates - Congressional Appointment Questions <i>ACC's partner for Hill meetings, Advocacy Associates, will be available to answer any questions about your congressional appointment schedule.</i></p>
3 - 4 p.m.	State Strategic Planning For Hill Meetings (Regency Ballroom)
3 - 4:30 p.m.	<p>Partners in Quality Meeting (Capitol) <i>*Invite-Only*</i></p>
3:45 - 5:15 p.m.	<p>CV Society Leadership Meeting (Lexington/Bunker Hill) <i>*Invite-Only*</i></p>
4 - 5 p.m.	Break
5 - 6 p.m.	<p>All HeartPAC Contributors Reception (District B) <i>Members who have contributed any amount to HeartPAC in 2025 are invited to join us for a reception.</i></p>
TUESDAY, OCT. 7	
7 - 8 a.m.	Breakfast Available at Hotel (District B)
8:30 - 8:45 a.m.	Group Photo in Front of Capitol (Offsite - U.S. Capitol)
9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Congressional Office Visits (Offsite - Reserve Officers Association)

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are taking place at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill.