

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

is the ____

#1

cause of death and the leading driver of health care costs in the U.S.

Owning the Problem. Advancing Solutions.





ACC ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

As the caretakers of cardiovascular patients, the American College of Cardiology is developing and advancing solutions to increase access, quality and value of patient care and promote heart health.

- Reduce administrative burden and promote clinician well-being
- Lead the transition to improved care models that strengthen value and patient outcomes
- Promote practice stability and patient access to affordable care
- Optimize cardiovascular care, outcomes and health
- Advance member engagement and leadership



ACC Advocacy works directly with policymakers in Congress, federal agencies, state capitals, private insurance groups and health systems to represent its members and improve care for cardiovascular patients. As clinicians, your perspectives and participation are essential fuel for these efforts. The ACC offers a number of opportunities to ensure the diverse voices and unique perspectives of the entire cardiovascular care team are represented and heard!

Grassroots Action

Whether it's emailing your members of Congress or state delegation about important legislation; taking part in state lobby days with your local ACC Chapter; or opening your office to key decisionmakers so they can experience being a "cardiologist for a day," the ACC offers a number of localized, grassroots opportunities to affect change.

Legislative Conference

The ACC's Annual Legislative Conference takes place in Washington, DC, each fall. The three-day meeting provides a unique opportunity to learn more about the biggest health policy issues, network with colleagues and CV Team professionals from across the U.S. and meet directly with members of Congress and their staff. A limited number of travel awards are offered each year to FITs and CV Team members. Learn more at **ACC.org/LegislativeConference.**

Health Policy News & Tools You Can Use

Stay on top of the latest health policy news with ACC's weekly Advocate email newsletter and by following @Cardiology on Twitter. Also, check out ACC.org/Advocacy for information and tools on state and federal advocacy issues, like prior authorization, the Quality Payment Program, Alternative Payment Models, health information technology, graduate medical education, reducing administrative burden and more!



ACC HeartPAC

Open to U.S. ACC members, the ACC's HeartPAC is a voluntary, non-partisan political action committee that serves as the voice of cardiology on Capitol Hill. The ACC HeartPAC increases the political power and reach of the College by opening doors for ACC members to educate key members of Congress on cardiovascular issues.

Learn more at HeartPAC.org.

Get started at ACC.org/Advocacy

ADVOCATE ENGAGE LINFLUENCE

ACC MISSION:

To transform cardiovascular care and improve heart health

ACC VISION:

A world where innovation and knowledge optimize cardiovascular care and outcomes

ACC CORE VALUES:

Patient-Centered; Teamwork and Collaboration; Professionalism and Excellence

ADVOCACY QUICK REFERENCE:

ACC Advocacy Website: ACC.org/Advocacy

Quality Payment Program Hub: ACC.org/QPP

Alternative Payment Model Hub: ACC.org/APM

Clinician Well-Being: ACC.org/ClinicianWellBeing

Legislative Conference: ACC.org/LegislativeConference

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