

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Every year, decisions are made in Lincoln and Washington that determine the future of Nebraska hospitals. Elected officials who have a passion and understanding for the unique role hospitals play in ensuring the quality of life in their communities, champion our issues. However, not everyone shares our views. It is because of this that it is essential for hospitals and health systems to have a strong and united voice in the political, legislative and regulatory arenas.

Now is not the time to sit on the sidelines while other groups are at the table discussing the future of health care in Nebraska. To have an impact on these decisions, we must participate in the political process. You can make a difference by strengthening our collective voice.

NHA PAC PURPOSE

The Nebraska Hospital Association Political Action Committee (NHA PAC) supports the efforts of the Nebraska Hospital Association to advocate on the behalf of Nebraska hospitals by participating in the political process. The NHA PAC supports candidates regardless of political affiliation, whose philosophies, actions and voting records reflect an understanding and concern for hospital and health care issues.

The NHA PAC is a state-only political action committee. Through an agreement with the American Hospital Association (AHA), the NHA PAC also participates in the federal process. The AHAPAC is the political action committee established to support federal candidates. Twenty-five percent of the regular contributions received and 50 percent of Capitol Club, Chairman's Circle, Ben Franklin Club, Champion's Club and 1898 Society contributions are shared with AHAPAC, unless the contributor designates otherwise. Many of those funds are returned as contributions to NHA-supported candidates for federal office.

NHA PAC BENEFITS

Without financial assistance from supporters, few candidates can afford the cost of a campaign. Because of this, it is essential that hospitals and health systems are a part of the political process.

- NHA PAC allows Nebraska hospitals and health systems to positively impact the election of political candidates who recognize and support health care's important role in the state.
- NHA PAC provides the Association and its members with an enhanced presence at the state level and on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.
- NHA PAC improves the ability of the NHA and its members to develop and maintain working relationships with legislators.

- A strong NHA PAC assures you and other members of the hospital family a voice before public policy makers.

Every year at the state and federal level, individuals will debate the future course of health care delivery and expenditures. Supporting NHA PAC is one way you can be sure that Nebraska hospitals have a meaningful voice in the outcomes of these critical decisions.

LEVELS OF GIVING

Any contribution to the NHA PAC will make a significant difference in our efforts to help shape a supportive elected body. Although no donation is too small, the following categories of giving do provide special recognition:

■ 1898 Society (\$5,000)

Established in 2018, the "1898 Society" recognizes the founding of the American Hospital Association in Cleveland, OH. Contributors at the \$5,000 level will be invited to a new "Leader to Leader" meeting beginning in 2019, priority seating at AHAPAC events, invitations to participate in quarterly calls with political experts, access to insider political information related to elections, and recognition at AHA national meetings.

■ Champions Club (\$2,500)

Contributors will receive priority seating at AHAPAC events, invitations to participate in quarterly calls with political experts, access to insider political information related to elections, and recognition at AHA national meetings.

■ Ben Franklin Club (\$1,000)

The Ben Franklin Club is named for the co-founder of the Pennsylvania Hospital, the nation's first hospital in 1751. Contributors at the \$1,000 level will receive invitations to participate in bi-annual calls with political experts, access to insider information, and recognition at AHA national meetings.

■ Chairman's Circle (\$500)

Established in 1997, the Chairman's Circle has grown each year and is now an essential support base of the AHAPAC. Members receive access to insider information and recognition at AHA national meetings.

■ Capitol Club (\$350)

Since 1978, the Capitol Club has been the backbone of AHAPAC. Members will receive recognition at AHA national meetings.

CONTRIBUTION CARD

Levels of Giving

- 1898 Society - \$5,000
- Champions Club - \$2,500
- Ben Franklin Club - \$1,000
- Chairman's Circle - \$500
- Capitol Club - \$350
- Other _____

Pay by personal check (Payable to NHA PAC)

Pay by credit card: Visa MasterCard Discover

Credit card #: ____ / ____ / ____ / ____

Name on card: _____

Expiration date: __ / __

Signature: _____

Please check appropriate category(ies):

- Health Care Executive/Administration/Management
- Professional Employee (MD, DO, RN, etc.)
- Hospital Trustee
- Other (specify) _____

25% of the regular contributions received and 50% of Capitol Club, Chairman's Circle, Ben Franklin Club, Champions Club and 1898 Society contributions are shared with AHAPAC unless the contributor designates otherwise. Your contribution is important to us, but we want to emphasize that all contributions are voluntary and have no impact on your job status, performance review, compensation or employment. Any amount given or the decision not to give will not advantage or disadvantage you. Contributions or gifts to the AHAPAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year.

★ NHA PAC GOALS

- Quality health care for all Nebraskans
- Relief from unnecessary regulatory burdens
- Fair and reasonable reimbursement for providers
- Informed and responsible government officials



CONTRIBUTION CARD

Contributions to NHA PAC are not tax deductible under IRS rules. Information below is required by state and federal campaign finance laws. Please print clearly.

Name _____

Title _____

Home Address _____

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Full Name of Employer _____

Employer's Phone _____

Hospital/Organization _____

(To receive credit for your donation)

Signature _____

Date _____

Contribution cards and payment must be mailed to:
NHA PAC
3255 Salt Creek Circle, Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68504-4778

Do not mail
to NHA's
P.O. Box

ABOUT YOUR CONTRIBUTION

The NHA PAC contributes to candidates who have a continued commitment to hospital issues. By supporting those candidates who support our issues, we are working to ensure that critical health care votes in the Nebraska Legislature and in Congress are cast by individuals who understand our needs.

- 100 percent of your contribution goes directly to political candidates. No portion is used for NHA staff salaries, overhead or expenses associated with lobbying activities.
- The NHA PAC Steering Committee, in coordination with the NHA advocacy team, determines which state candidates to support and at what level, and advises AHAPAC on support for federal candidates.
- Your contribution goes directly to political candidates at the state level and some, unless otherwise designated, also supports federal candidates to strengthen our voice in Washington, D.C.



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Supporting those who care about Nebraska's hospitals and the patients they serve



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