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NEW YORK STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

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Introduction: The New York State Dental Political Action Committee (NYSDAPAC) is proud to submit its inaugural report to the NYSDA House of Delegates.

Formed in October 2024, NYSDAPAC is the official political action committee wholly owned and operated by the New York State Dental Association. It exists to directly support and align the Association's political advocacy with the best interests of its members, their patients, and the public health of New York State.

Mission and Structure: NYSDAPAC was established to create a unified and powerful mechanism for engaging with the state political process. Its mission is to support state candidates and policies that benefit the dental profession, enhance patient care, and protect public health. Importantly, NYSDAPAC is a non-partisan entity. Contribution decisions are based strictly on candidates' voting records, policy stances, and alignment with key issues affecting dentistry—not party affiliation.

Oversight of NYSDAPAC is currently provided by the NYSDA Board of Trustees, ensuring that every strategic and financial decision made by the PAC aligns with the overall goals and legislative priorities of the Association.

A professional Treasurer with extensive PAC and campaign finance experience has been retained to manage NYSDAPAC's funds and compliance responsibilities. This includes all financial reporting and legal obligations under the New York State Board of Elections.

Advocacy in Action: Since its formation in October 2024, NYSDAPAC has already begun laying the foundation for long-term political influence. Early fundraising efforts have generated momentum and demonstrated the commitment of our members to organized advocacy. The PAC plans to continue making targeted contributions in alignment with NYSDA's legislative priorities during the 2025 Session and beyond. In the coming year, NYSDAPAC aims to:

- Increase its visibility through targeted communications and events
- Build relationships with key legislative leaders and policymakers
- Serve as a key asset in NYSDA's strategic advocacy initiatives

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Member Involvement: The success of NYSDAPAC depends entirely on participation from NYSDA's membership. Every dollar contributed represents a stronger, more unified voice in Albany. We encourage all members to contribute to NYSDAPAC and to speak with their components about increasing engagement. Together, we can protect the future of dentistry in New York.

Contributions by NYSDA Component Societies (5/1/2025)

520.90 747.90 468.80
468.80
467.00
893.00
81.20
262.80
289.00
449.80
950.00
958.60
568.40
54.20
3.00

TOTAL: \$258,478.40

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