Frequently-Asked Questions

What is a PAC?
A PAC (Political Action Committee) is an organization that raises and spends money to elect candidates whose views and priorities align with those of its donor members. Missouri Medical PAC (MMPAC) works to represent physicians and patients and to shape legislation that is favorable to health care in Missouri.

How is MMPAC funded?
MMPAC is funded solely by voluntary contributions. No portion of Missouri State Medical Association dues is applied to MMPAC.

Who works to represent the interests of the MMPAC?
Our advocacy team comprises two full-time lobbyists who work diligently to establish and maintain relationships with physician-friendly legislators at the Capitol.

Does MMPAC favor any political party?
MMPAC is a non-partisan organization that selects candidates to support based solely on their views and voting record, regardless of political party. We get behind the right candidate for the job, the one who will champion the causes important to the house of medicine.

Who can belong to MMPAC?
Anyone can be a member – physicians, spouses, family members, medical students, medical society staff – all you need is the desire to add your voice to those of other MMPAC contributors. You don't need to live in Missouri or be a physician to belong. And since MMPAC is separate and distinct from MSMA, you need not be an MSMA member to join MMPAC.

Does any portion of my contribution go to administrative fees?
No. Every dollar you contribute goes to support those candidates who have been selected as the best advocates of issues important to physicians and patients. And your entire contribution stays here in Missouri – no portion of it is distributed to the national AMA PAC.

How are candidates selected to receive support?
With guidance and assistance from our advocacy team, the MMPAC board meets ahead of elections to identify candidates who will go to bat for Missouri physicians and patients.

Who serves on the MMPAC Board?
The MMPAC board is made up of two representatives from each of the ten MSMA Councilor districts, along with one representative each from the Resident & Fellow Section, the Medical Student Section and the MSMA Alliance.

Has MMPAC been successful in supporting winning candidates?
Yes! In the last election, over 95% of the candidates supported by MMPAC won their seats.

How do I join MMPAC?
Advocacy has never been so easy! Simply make a contribution to MMPAC online, by mailing a check to PO Box 1402, Jefferson City, MO 65102, or by calling 573/636-5151 with your credit card. Another convenient option is PayPal (see QR code at left). A $100 contribution makes you a Sustainer-level member. Lend even more support by becoming an upper-tier contributor: $250 – Silver level; $500 – Gold level; and $1,000 Diamond level. MMPAC membership is a sound investment in shaping the future of medicine in Missouri!