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Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of the entire OMSPAC Board of Directors, I am happy to present you with this inaugural report of OMSPAC activities and successes over the past year.

In 2015, 1,427 AAOMS members supported OMSPAC with $487,215 in personal and corporate donations. The more contributions we have provides greater opportunities to support candidates who support our specialty.

In addition, OMSPAC distributed $203,700 to candidates running in the 2016, 2018, or 2020 elections. More than 35 OMSs helped us deliver these contributions back in the local districts. Each time a contribution was delivered, it provided us a opportunity to talk about our issues and form relationships with the very individuals who decide our future.

Thank you for your support in all of our endeavors. OMSPAC is only as strong as our contributors and we would not be where we are without you!

Sincerely,

Murray K. Jacobs, DDS
Chair, 2016 OMSPAC Board of Directors
Redlands, California
MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS

In 2015, OMSPAC contributions totaled $487,215, down $24,684, or 4.8%, from 2014. It’s important to remember that the amount contributed to OMSPAC directly affects our ability to support federal candidates.

GIVING TRENDS

More than 71% of all contributions received in 2015 came in amounts less than the amount earned from an hours’ work in your practice.

2015 OMSPAC FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR

Delaware State OMSPAC Chair, Dr. Gene D’Amico of Wilmington is the recipient of the 2015 OMSPAC Fundraiser of the Year Award. OMSPAC Board of Directors Chair Dr. Thomas Keane made the announcement during the Advocacy Breakfast, which took place at the 2015 AAOMS Annual Meeting. Dr. Keane noted that Dr. D’Amico received the award due to his prolific fundraising within both his state and the regional society, the impressive 47.83% participation rate by Delaware OMSs in 2014, and his willingness to volunteer on behalf of the PAC. Congratulations Dr. D’Amico!
TOTAL PARTICIPATION

In 2015, 20.52% of all AAOMS members contributed to OMSPAC, down 3.3% from 2014. While only 1 in 5 AAOMS members support OMSPAC, all benefit from our efforts.

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PARTICIPATION BY STATE

North Dakota boasted the highest participation in the country, with 52.63% of AAOMS members in the state contributing to OMSPAC.
THANK YOU!

The OMSPAC Board would like to thank all of our contributors for their support. The Board would like to extend a special thanks to our State and Region Society, Capitol Club, and Diamond level contributors who made contributions. For a full list of 2015 contributors, please visit www.omspac.org.

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If you are interested in supporting OMS PAC, please visit www.omspac.org/contribute or contact us at omspac@aaoms.org
$203,700 was given to federal candidates running for reelection in the 2016, 2018, or 2020 elections as of December 31, 2015. $184,200 of went to candidates running in the 2016 elections. Below is a list of all of the candidates who received OMSPAC support for current or future election cycles.

Any OMSPAC contributor may request a candidate contribution from the OMSPAC Board of Directors. For more information, please visit www.omspac.org.

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Eric Swalwell (D-CA) - $10,000
Joseph Courtney (D-CT) - $3,500
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Earl "Buddy" Carter (R-GA) - $1,000
Tom Price (R-GA) - $5,000
Austin Scott (R-GA) - $500
David Scott (D-GA) - $2,500
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Mike Simpson (R-ID) - $5,000
Peter Roskam (R-IL) - $3,000
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Fred Upton (R-MI) - $5,000
Renee Ellmers (R-NC) - $5,000
Frank LoBiondo (R-NJ) - $3,000
Frank Pallone (D-NJ) - $2,500
Bill Pascrell (D-NJ) - $3,000
Christopher Smith (R-NJ) - $1,500
Michelle Lujan Grisham (D-NM) - $2,000
Grace Meng (D-NY) - $5,000
Elise Stefanik (R-NY) - $1,000
Steve Stivers (R-OH) - $3,000
Patrick Tiberi (R-OH) - $2,500

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Michael Bennet (D-CO) - $4,000
Chris Murphy (D-CT) - $2,000*
Chris Coons (D-DE) - $2,000*
Mark Kirk (R-IL) - $6,000
Marlin Stutzman (R-IN) - $2,700
Rand Paul (R-KY) - $1,000
Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) - $3,000^*^Announced their retirement after the contribution was distributed
Gary Peters (D-MI) - $3,500^*^Not up for re-election in 2016
Roy Blunt (R-MO) - $5,000
Richard Burr (R-NC) - $3,000
Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND) - $2,000
Harry Reid (D-NV) - $2,000^*^Not up for re-election in 2016

GIVING BY PARTY

REPUBLICANS - $124,700
DEMOCRATS - $79,000

GIVING BY CHAMBER

REPRESENTATIVES $139,500
SENATORS - $64,200

MORE THAN $450,000 WILL BE CONTRIBUTED BEFORE THE 2016 ELECTIONS
OMSPAC IN ACTION

Thirty-five OMSs delivered contributions to candidates in 2015. With more than $250,000 expected to be delivered in 2016, that means even more OMSs will come face-to-face with the people who make the decision that affect our patients and our practices.

OMSPAC distributed $140,750 to candidates in calendar year 2015, ranking 19th in terms of giving to federal candidates compared to all other healthcare professional PACs. In the 2013-2014 election cycle, OMSPAC ranked 19th and we’ve consistently been in the top 25 for the past 10 years.

Our ranking is directly related to how much money is contributed to federal candidates. The more contributions we receive, the more we can contribute to those candidate who support our specialty.

NOTE: Amounts shown are for contributions distributed in calendar year 2015 and do not include contributions distributed in previous years for the 2016 or future elections.
More than 180 people attended the 2015 OMSPAC Contributors’ Reception, which was held during the 2015 AAOMS Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. The reception was open to any current OMSPAC contributor and their guests.
In addition to OMSPAC contributors, members of the Congressional Doctors Caucus participated in the event, including (from top row to bottom row) U.S. Reps. Paul Gosar (R-AZ), Renee Ellmers (R-NC), Michael Burgess (R-TX), and Brian Babin (R-TX). Congressmen Gosar and Babin are two of only three dentists in Congress. Congressman Burgess is an obstetrician while Congresswoman Ellmers is a nurse and healthcare manager.
In addition to supporting 62 candidates and 71 fundraising events over the course of 2015, OMSPAC engaged in the following activities and celebrated the following legislative victories.

OMSPAC hosts fundraiser for U.S. Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-CA), raising over $20,000.

OMSPAC supports the 15th annual AAOMS Day on the Hill. More than 100 OMSs from around the country met with their members of Congress. OMSPAC also sponsored 3 OMS Residents to participate in the meeting.

Congress repeals the flawed Medicare Sustainable Growth Rate, which determined how much providers were reimbursed.

OMSPAC participates in the AAOMS Annual Meeting, including hosting its annual contributors’ reception and operating its booth in the AAOMS Member Pavilion.

OMSPAC launches its Facebook page.

OMSPAC publishes its quarterly newsletter, The ImPACt

The U.S. House of Representatives passes legislation repealing the medical device excise tax and the Medicare Independent Payment Advisory Board (IPAB).

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OMSPAC works with local OMSs to host offices visits for members of Congress, including U.S. Reps. Steve Stivers (R-OH) and Fred Upton (R-MI).

OMSPAC publishes its quarterly newsletter, The ImPACt

The U.S. House of Representatives passes legislation repealing the medical device tax, the Cadillac tax, and the individual and employer mandate.


OMSPAC publishes its quarterly newsletter, The ImPACt

Congress passes a 2-year moratorium on the medical device tax and the excise tax on premium health plans, also known as the “Cadillac” tax.

For more information on these and other activities, please visit www.omspac.org or www.aaoms.org.
OMSPAC supports candidates who support our federal priorities. Below are just some of the issues identified by the AAOMS Committee on Government Affairs and the AAOMS Board of Trustees as important to the specialty. For more information on AAOMS’s other federal legislative priorities, visit the Government Affairs page at www.aaoms.org.

1. **Repeal the Medical Device Excise Tax**
   AAOMS supports repealing the 2.3% excise tax on medical devices provided for in the Affordable Care Act (ACA).
   
   **Why is it important?**
   Hospitals, healthcare providers, and patients are bearing the brunt of a tax that was intended to raise revenue from the medical device community.

2. **Expand the Use of Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs) and Health Savings Accounts (HSAs)**
   AAOMS supports cancelling the FSA “use-it-or-lose-it” provision, increasing annual contributions limits, and allowing families with more than two dependents to deposit additional funds. AAOMS also supports increasing the annual HSA contribution limit and expanding HSA availability to beyond those with a high deductible plan.
   
   **Why is it important?**
   Limitations on FSAs and HSAs force patients to forgo necessary dental care. Out-of-pocket medical costs can exceed FSA/HSA contribution maximums.

3. **Reform Student Loan Repayment**
   AAOMS supports reforming student loan repayment by:
   
   (1) Reducing federal graduate student loan interest rates to levels below 6%.
   (2) Expanding the current tax deduction on student loan interest and removing income limits to receive the deduction.
   (3) Allowing student loan borrowers to consolidate federal and private loans, and refinance the interest rates on those loans more than once to take advantage of lower rates. Once a loan has been refinanced, the interest rate should be allowed to remain fixed for the duration of the loan’s repayment or until the borrower decides to refinance again.
   (4) Expanding repayment policies for federal student loan forgiveness programs and allowing participants to take advantage of forgiveness or repayment assistance earlier in the loan repayment process.
   
   **Why is it important?**
   Student loan debt is a significant determining factor in where and how OMSs practice. Large amounts of debt may hinder younger OMSs from buying a home, starting a family, buying into a practice, or rendering pro bono services.

Dr. James P. Jensvold (left) with U.S. Rep. Ted Lieu (D-CA) (right).
Recommended levels of support are only suggestions and any amount is greatly appreciated. Contributions are completely voluntary and you may contribute more or less than this suggested amount or not at all without fear of disadvantage or reprisal. Contributions to OMSPAC are not deductible for federal income tax purposes. OMSPAC cannot accept contributions from foreign nationals. Federal law prohibits OMSPAC from using corporate contributions for federal candidates. Contributions from corporate accounts will be deposited into the OMSPAC Administrative Account not the Federal Election Account. The Administrative Account can be used to cover administrative expenses such as OMSPAC staff salaries, printing costs, and mailing costs. While OMSPAC accepts all contributions, we encourage personal (hard) contributions. Personal contributions are the only funds that can be used to contribute to federal candidates.

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