MISSION

Protect oral and maxillofacial surgery by helping to elect federal candidates who support oral and maxillofacial surgeons, the specialty and our patients.
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Dear Colleagues:

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

In 2016, 1,199 AAOMS members supported OMSPAC with $424,086 in personal and corporate donations. The more contributions we receive, the more opportunities we have to provide assistance to candidates who understand and support our specialty.

In addition, OMSPAC distributed $581,250 to candidates running in the 2016, 2018 or 2020 elections. More than 70 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,

Joel M. Friedman, DDS
Chair

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As of Dec. 31, 2016, $581,250 was given to federal candidates running for re-election in the 2016, 2018 or 2020 elections.

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

OMSPAC distributed $581,250 to candidates in the 2015-2016 election cycle, 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 candidates who support our specialty.
| CANDIDATES RECEIVING OMSPAC SUPPORT — CANDIDATES FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| **ARIZONA**                  | Rep. Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.) — $10,000 |
|                             | **CALIFORNIA**   | Rep. Xavier Becerra (D-Calif.) — $2,500 |
|                             | Rep. Ami Bera (D-Calif.) — $4,000 |
|                             | Mr. Salud Carbajal (D-Calif.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Tony Cardenas (D-Calif.) — $3,000 |
|                             | Rep. Judy Chu (D-Calif.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Rep. Anna Eshoo (D-Calif.) — $3,000 |
|                             | Rep. Mike Honda (D-Calif.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Ted Lieu (D-Calif.) — $5,000 |
|                             | Rep. Doris Matsui (D-Calif.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Raul Ruiz (D-Calif.) — $4,000 |
|                             | Rep. Linda Sanchez (D-Calif.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Brad Sherman (D-Calif.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-Calif.) — $10,000 |
|                             | Rep. Mike Thompson (D-Calif.) — $2,000 |
| **COLORADO**                 | Rep. Mike Coffman (R-Colo.) — $5,000 |
| **CONNECTICUT**              | Rep. Joseph Courtney (D-Conn.) — $3,500 |
|                             | Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-Conn.) — $2,500 |
|                             | Rep. John Larson (D-Conn.) — $3,000 |
| **FLORIDA**                  | Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-Fla.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Rep. Kathy Castor (D-Fla.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Dr. Fred Costello (R-Fla.) — $5,000 |
|                             | Rep. Bill Posey (R-Fla.) — $7,000 |
|                             | Mr. Darren Soto (D-Fla.) — $2,500 |
| **GEORGIA**                  | Rep. Buddy Carter (R-Ga.) — $3,500 |
|                             | Dr. Drew Ferguson (R-Ga.) — $10,000 |
|                             | Rep. Tom Price (R-Ga.) — $5,000 |
|                             | Rep. David Scott (D-Ga.) — $4,000 |
|                             | Rep. Austin Scott (R-Ga.) — $500 |
|                             | Rep. Lynn Westmoreland (R-Ga.) — $1,000 |
| **IOWA**                     | Rep. Dave Loebsack (D-Iowa) — $2,000 |
| **IDAHO**                    | Rep. Mike Simpson (R-Idaho) — $5,000 |
| **ILLINOIS**                 | Rep. Rodney Davis (R-Ill.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Rep. Bob Dold (R-Ill.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Randy Hultgren (R-Ill.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Rep. Robin Kelly (D-Ill.) — $3,000 |
|                             | Rep. Adam Kinzinger (R-Ill.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Mr. Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-Ill.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Peter Roskam (R-Ill.) — $3,000 |
|                             | Rep. John Shimkus (R-Ill.) — $3,000 |
| **INDIANA**                  | Rep. Larry Buschon (R-Ind.) — $5,000 |
|                             | Rep. Jackie Walorski (R-Ind.) — $10,000 |
| **KANSAS**                   | Rep. Lynn Jenkins (R-Kan.) — $3,000 |
|                             | Rep. Kevin Yoder (D-Kan.) — $2,500 |
| **KENTUCKY**                 | Rep. Brett Guthrie (R-Ky.) — $3,000 |
|                             | Rep. John Yarmuth (D-Ky.) — $2,500 |
| **LOUISIANA**                | Rep. Ralph Abraham (R-La.) — $3,000 |
| **MARYLAND**                 | Ms. Joseline Pena-Melnyk (D-Md.) — $1,000 |
| **MICHIGAN**                 | Rep. Fred Upton (R-Mich.) — $8,000 |
| **MINNESOTA**                | Rep. Erik Paulsen (R-Minn.) — $5,000 |
| **MISSISSIPPI**              | Rep. Gregg Harper (R-Miss.) — $2,500 |
| **NORTH CAROLINA**           | Rep. G.K. Butterfield (D-N.C.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Renee Ellmers (R-N.C.) — $5,000 |
| **NORTH DAKOTA**             | Rep. Kevin Cramer (R-N.D.) — $1,000 |
| **NEW HAMPSHIRE**            | Rep. Ann Kuster (D-N.H.) — $1,000 |
| **NEW JERSEY**               | Mr. Josh Gottheimer (D-N.J.) — $1,000 |
|                             | Rep. Leonard Lance (R-N.J.) — $5,000 |
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|                             | Rep. Christopher Smith (R-N.J.) — $1,500 |
| **NEW MEXICO**               | Rep. Ben Lujan (D-N.M.) — $2,500 |
|                             | Rep. Michelle Lujan Grisham (D-N.M.) — $10,000 |
| **NEW YORK**                 | Rep. Joe Crowley (D-N.Y.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Eliot Engel (D-N.Y.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Grace Meng (D-N.Y.) — $6,000 |
|                             | Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-N.Y.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Rep. Nydia Velazquez (D-N.Y.) — $2,000 |
|                             | Mr. Keith Wright (D-N.Y.) — $1,000 |

^Announced their retirement after the contribution was distributed

**Red** — last election (primary or general)

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**OCTOBER**

**OHIO**

Rep. Steve Chabot (R-Ohio) — $2,500
Rep. Steve Stivers (R-Ohio) — $5,000
Rep. Patrick Tiberi (R-Ohio) — $5,000

**OREGON**

Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore.) — $2,500
Rep. Kurt Schrader (D-Ore.) — $3,000

**PENNSYLVANIA**

Rep. Ryan Costello (R-Pa.) — $5,000
Rep. Michael Doyle (D-Pa.) — $3,000
Rep. Tim Murphy (R-Pa.) — $3,500
Rep. Joe Pitts (R-Pa.) — $5,000^* 

**SOUTH CAROLINA**

Rep. James Clyburn (D-S.C.) — $2,000
Rep. Jeff Duncan (R-S.C.) — $1,000
Rep. Trey Gowdy (R-S.C.) — $1,000
Rep. Mick Mulvaney (R-S.C.) — $1,000
Rep. Tom Rice (R-S.C.) — $2,500
Rep. Mark Sanford (R-S.C.) — $1,000

**TENNESSEE**

Rep. Diane Black (R-Tenn.) — $5,000
Rep. Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.) — $5,000
Rep. Phil Roe (R-Tenn.) — $3,000

**TEXAS**

Rep. Brian Babin (R-Texas) — $10,000
Rep. Joe Barton (R-Texas) — $5,000
Rep. Kevin Brady (R-Texas) — $10,000
Rep. Michael Burgess (R-Texas) — $9,000
Rep. Gene Green (D-Texas) — $2,000
Rep. Sam Johnson (R-Texas) — $2,000
Rep. Kenny Marchant (R-Texas) — $1,000

**WASHINGTON**

Rep. Rick Larsen (D-Wash.) — $2,000
Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-Wash.) — $1,000
Rep. Dave Reichert (R-Wash.) — $2,000

**WISCONSIN**

Rep. Sean Duffy (R-Wis.) — $1,000
Mr. Mike Gallagher (R-Wis.) — $6,000
Rep. Ron Kind (D-Wis.) — $9,000
Rep. Mark Pocan (D-Wis.) — $2,500
Rep. Reid Ribble (R-Wis.) — $1,000^* 
Rep. Paul Ryan (R-Wis.) — $8,000

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Dr. Timothy S. Kellsing (left) and his staff with U.S. Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-N.Y.) (center).

Dr. Marvin Eichner (left) and U.S. Rep. Tim Murphy (R-Pa.).
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OMSPAC-HOSTED EVENTS

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On Feb. 1, 2016, OMSPAC hosted a fundraiser for Congressman Kevin Brady (R-Texas), raising more than $32,500. As chair of the Ways and Means Committee, Congressman Brady has oversight of national Social Security programs, including Medicare. On April 11, 2016, OMSPAC hosted a fundraiser for Congresswoman Michel Lujan-Grisham (D-N.M.), raising more than $12,500. In addition to being a longtime supporter of the specialty, Rep. Lujan-Grisham has a special tie to oral health as her father was a general dentist based in Santa Fe, N.M.

Dr. George E. Morris with U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly (D-Ill.).


Drs. Louis M. Beto (left) and Amy J. Bogardus with U.S. Rep. Brett Guthrie (R-Ky.).

Dr. Gerald W. Bird (right) and his wife with U.S. Rep. Bill Posey (R-Fla.).

Dr. Charles M. Repa (left) with U.S. Rep. Gene Green (D-Texas).

Dr. Jay Asdell with U.S. Rep. Jackie Walorski (R-Ind.).

Dr. Robert L. Flint (left) with U.S. Rep. John Yarmuth (D-Ky.).

Dr. David A. Fenton (right) with U.S. Rep. John Larson (D-Conn.).

Dr. James P. Jensvold (left) with U.S. Rep. Brad Sherman (D-Calif.).

Dr. Daniel Quon (left) with U.S. Rep. Gregg Harper (R-Miss.).

Dr. Herbert D. Stith (left) with Mr. Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-Ill.).

Dr. Julia R. Plevnia and her husband with Speaker Paul Ryan (R-Wis.) (left).

Drs. Preston A. Gomez (left) and Joseph R.I. Deatherage (right) with U.S. Rep. Kevin Cramer (R-N.D.).

Dr. Bruce L. Whitcher (left) with Mr. Salud Carbajal (D-Calif.).

Dr. Robert J. Memory (left) with U.S. Rep. Joseph Kennedy (D-Mass.).

Dr. Martin E. Eichner (right) with U.S. Sen. Pat Toomey (R-Pa.).
More than 180 people attended the OMSPAC Contributors’ Reception, which was held during the 2016 AAOMS Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, Nev. The reception was open to current OMSPAC contributors and their guests.


Scenes from the 2016 OMSPAC Contributors’ Reception.

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MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS

In 2016, OMSPAC contributions totaled $424,086, down $63,000, or 13 percent, from 2015. It’s important to remember the amount contributed to OMSPAC directly affects our ability to support federal candidates.

$412,248  $506,456  $456,266  $506,078  $511,899  $487,215  $424,086


GIVING TRENDS

More than 70 percent of all contributions received in 2016 came in amounts less than the amount earned from an hour’s work in your practice.

AVERAGE 2016 CONTRIBUTION

$352.72

2016 OMSPAC FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR

Colorado State OMSPAC Chair, Julia R. Plevnia, DDS, of Parker, Colo., is the recipient of the 2016 OMSPAC Fundraiser of the Year Award. 2016 OMSPAC Board of Directors Chair Murray K. Jacobs, DDS, of Redlands, Calif. made the announcement during the Advocacy Breakfast, which took place at the 2016 AAOOMS Annual Meeting. Dr. Jacobs noted that Dr. Plevnia received the award due to her prolific fundraising – specifically through her efforts the 140 percent increase in contributions in 2015 compared with 2014 – and her willingness to volunteer on behalf of OMSPAC.

Congratulations Dr. Pelvnia!
TOTAL PARTICIPATION

In 2016, 17 percent of all AAOMS members contributed to OMSPAC, down 3 percent from 2015. While only one in five AAOMS members support OMSPAC, all benefit from our efforts.

PARTICIPATION BY STATE

North Dakota boasted the highest participation in the country, with 47 percent 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 regional society, Capitol Club and Diamond-level contributors who made contributions. For a full list of 2016 contributors, please visit OMSPAC.org.

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Please visit OMSPAC.org for a full list of contributors.

Individuals listed made contributions at the Capital Club ($1,000+) or Diamond ($500-$999) levels that were processed between Jan. 1, 2016, and Dec. 31, 2016. Please visit OMSPAC.org for a full list of contributors.
In addition to supporting 142 candidates over the course of the 2015-2016 election cycle, OMSPAC engaged in the following activities and celebrated the following legislative victories.

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

OMSPAC publishes its inaugural Annual Report, highlighting its efforts in 2015.

OMSPAC engages in a telesolicitation campaign through CAPTEL. More than $27,000 is raised during this campaign.


OMSPAC publishes its quarterly newsletter, The ImPACT.

OMSPAC provides updates on OMSPAC to the AAOMS district caucuses.

The 2016 General Election is held. OMSPAC boasts a 92% success rate during the election.

The OMSPAC Board of Directors approves its first strategic plan.


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Congress passes legislation creating an inter-agency task force to create non-binding best practice guidelines for safe prescribing and pain management.

Congress passes, but President Obama vetoes, legislation repealing the medical device tax, the Cadillac tax and the individual and employer mandate.

The OMSPAC Board revises OMSPAC Guidelines for Candidate Contributions. Please visit OMSPAC.org to view the revised document.

For more information on these and other activities, please visit OMSPAC.org or AAOMS.org.
2016 PRIORITY ISSUES

OMSPAC supports candidates who listen to and 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 on AAOMS.org.

PROHIBITING FEE-CAPPING ON NON-COVERED SERVICES

AAOMS supports allowing dentists to charge reasonable and customary fees to patients for services not covered by federally regulated plans, such as ERISA.

Why is it important?
The practice of insurers capping fees for non-covered services is an unfair trade practice. By prohibiting this action, OMSs would be able to provide quality care to their patients and not be dictated by insurance companies when providing services they do not cover.

EXPAND THE USE OF FSAS AND HSAS

AAOMS supports canceling 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.

REFORM STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT

AAOMS supports reforming student loan repayment by:

- Reducing federal graduate student loan interest rates to levels below 6 percent.
- Expanding the current tax deduction on student loan interest and removing income limits to receive the deduction.
- 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.
- 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.
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.