



What is a PAC?

A political action committee (PAC) gives organizations a voice in the public policy arena. A PAC is comprised of a group of individuals voluntarily pooling their resources to help support candidates running for elective office who share the group's interests and concerns about legislative issues. PACs, like the Minnesota Dental Political Action Committee (MINDENPAC), give individuals the opportunity to speak as a group on common interests.

Law prohibits associations like the Minnesota Dental Association from providing direct political support to fund elections. For this reason, the federal and state election commissions allow PACs to be used as a means of providing individuals who share common interests a way to leverage financial contributions for candidates they support. Dollars used to fund candidate campaigns come from members, not from the organization itself.

What is MINDENPAC?

Our profession needs state lawmakers who understand dentistry and how policies and legislation may affect our profession and patients. MINDENPAC is a nonpartisan PAC that exists to advance the dental profession, enhance patient access, and fight unwarranted regulations in Minnesota. Since its inception nearly three decades ago, the Minnesota Dental PAC has worked not only to ensure the profession speaks as a unified voice, but also to provide us with an influential political presence at the state Capitol.

MINDENPAC is the only political action committee in Minnesota that exists to further the goals of Minnesota dentists, allowing us to provide support to candidates who have a say on issues most important to our profession and the patients we serve.

Who does MINDENPAC Support?

MINDENPAC contributes to the elections and re-elections of candidates for state office who support organized dentistry on key issues. MINDENPAC has given to candidates on both sides of the aisle who have been friends of dentistry.

Why give to MINDENPAC?

MINDENPAC exists because of contributions made by our members to the PAC. Without these contributions, MINDENPAC would be unable to support the election of individuals who have supported organized dentistry.