

March 16, 2015

The Honorable John A. Boehner  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
232 U.S. Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Boehner:

The undersigned state and national medical associations strongly urge you to repeal the failed Medicare Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) formula before the expiration of the current payment patch. During the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, the three committees of jurisdiction produced a bipartisan, bicameral SGR replacement policy with unanimous support. This accomplishment was unprecedented in the long history of efforts to eliminate the SGR. Our physician members were deeply disappointed that enactment of these policies was not achieved before the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress adjourned. We urge you, therefore, to build upon the considerable efforts of the previous Congress and enact legislation that is consistent with those broadly supported policies.

Last year's efforts to reform the Medicare physician payment system far exceeded previous attempts to repeal the flawed SGR formula. Through months of hard work, a policy was developed that won not only bipartisan congressional support but also widespread support from organized medicine. That proposal would not only eliminate the dysfunctional SGR formula, but also create new pathways for physicians to participate in alternative payment and health care delivery models that emphasize value over volume and have the demonstrated potential of reducing long-term spending growth across the Medicare program. These policies represent the most significant structural reforms to the Medicare program in many years and replicate many of the opportunities for maximizing quality and reducing costs that are being successfully implemented in the private sector.

It is our fervent hope that the bipartisan, bicameral policies developed by the previous Congress will be advanced and, under your leadership, enacted into law. We urge you and all members of the House and Senate to take the necessary steps to achieve this long standing goal.

Sincerely,

American Medical Association  
AMDA—The Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine  
American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology  
American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry  
American Academy of Dermatology Association  
American Academy of Disability Evaluating Physicians  
American Academy of Family Physicians

American Academy of Home Care Medicine  
American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine  
American Academy of Neurology  
American Academy of Ophthalmology  
American Academy of Osteopathy  
American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy  
American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
American Academy of Pain Medicine  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
American Association for Hand Surgery  
American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists  
American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons  
American Association of Neurological Surgeons  
American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine  
American Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons  
American Broncho-Esophagological Association  
American College of Cardiology  
American College of Chest Physicians  
American College of Emergency Physicians  
American College of Emergency Physicians Government Services Chapter  
American College of Mohs Surgery  
American College of Nuclear Medicine  
American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine  
American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians  
American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians  
American College of Osteopathic Internists  
American College of Osteopathic Neurologists and Psychiatrists  
American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians  
American College of Osteopathic Surgeons  
American College of Physicians  
American College of Preventive Medicine  
American College of Radiology  
American College of Rheumatology  
American College of Surgeons  
American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
American Gastroenterological Association  
American Geriatrics Society  
American Neurotology Society  
American Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Society  
American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine  
American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics  
American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine  
American Osteopathic Association  
American Osteopathic Association of Medical Informatics

American Osteopathic College of Dermatology  
American Osteopathic College of Proctology  
American Osteopathic Colleges of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology  
American Otological Society  
American Psychiatric Association  
American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons  
American Society for Clinical Pathology  
American Society for Dermatologic Surgery Association  
American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy  
American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery  
American Society for Radiation Oncology  
American Society for Surgery of the Hand  
American Society of Addiction Medicine  
American Society of Bariatric Physicians  
American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery  
American Society of Clinical Oncology  
American Society of Echocardiography  
American Society of Hematology  
American Society of Neuroradiology  
American Society of Nuclear Cardiology  
American Society of Transplant Surgeons  
American Spinal Injury Association  
American Thoracic Society  
American Urogynecologic Society  
American Urological Association  
Arthroscopy Association of North America  
Association of Black Cardiologists  
Association of Otolaryngology Administrators  
Cervical Spine Research Society  
College of American Pathologists  
Congress of Neurological Surgeons  
Heart Failure Society of America  
Hip Society  
Infectious Diseases Society of America  
International Society for the Advancement of Spine Surgery  
Knee Society  
Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction Society  
Medical Group Management Association  
Musculoskeletal Tumor Society  
National Association of Medical Examiners  
National Association of Spine Specialists  
North American Spine Society  
Orthopaedic Trauma Association  
Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America  
Renal Physicians Association  
Ruth Jackson Orthopaedic Society

Scoliosis Research Society  
 Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions  
 Society for Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance  
 Society for Vascular Surgery  
 Society of Cardiovascular Computed Tomography  
 Society of Gynecologic Oncology  
 Society of Critical Care Medicine  
 Society of Hospital Medicine  
 Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging  
 The Society of Thoracic Surgeons  
 The Society of University Otolaryngologists

Medical Association of the State of Alabama  
 ACOG Alabama Section  
 Alabama Academy of Ophthalmology  
 Alabama Academy of Radiology  
 Alabama Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
 Alabama Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
 Alabama Medical Directors Association  
 Alabama Orthopaedic Society  
 Alabama Society for the Rheumatic Diseases  
 Alabama Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
 American College of Physicians Alabama Chapter  
 Neurosurgical Society of Alabama  
 Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
 Southern States Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*

Alaska State Medical Association  
 ACOG Alaska Section  
 Alaska Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
 Alaska Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
 Alaska Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
 Alaska Society of Pathologists  
 American College of Physicians Alaska Chapter  
 Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Arizona Medical Association  
 ACOG Arizona Section  
 American College of Physicians Arizona Chapter  
 Arizona Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
 Arizona Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
 Arizona Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
 Arizona Psychiatric Society  
 Arizona Radiological Society  
 Arizona Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
 Arizona Society of Pathologists

Arizona United Rheumatology Alliance  
Phoenix Society of Gastroenterology  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Arkansas Medical Society  
ACOG Arkansas Section  
American College of Physicians Arkansas Chapter  
Arkansas Chapter American Academy of Family Physicians  
Arkansas Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Arkansas Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Arkansas Ophthalmological Society  
Arkansas Psychiatric Society  
Arkansas Radiological Society  
Arkansas Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Arkansas State Rheumatology Association  
Arkansas Urologic Society  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

California Medical Association  
ACOG California Section  
American College of Physicians Services California Chapter  
American College of Physicians California Southern Region II Chapter  
American College of Physicians California Southern Region III Chapter  
Association of Northern California Oncologists  
California Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
California Academy of Family Physicians  
California Association of Long Term Care Medicine  
California Association of Neurological Surgeons  
California Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists  
California Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
California Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
California Neurology Society  
California Orthopaedic Association  
California Otolaryngology Society  
California Psychiatric Association  
California Radiological Society  
California Rheumatology Alliance  
California Society of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery  
California Society of Pathologists  
California Urological Association  
Medical Oncology Association of Southern California  
Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California  
San Diego Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
San Diego Psychiatric Society

Santa Barbara Otolaryngological Society  
Southern California Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Southern California Psychiatric Society  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Colorado Medical Society  
ACOG Colorado Section  
American College of Physicians Colorado Chapter  
Colorado Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Colorado Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Colorado Dermatologic Society  
Colorado ENT Society  
Colorado Medical Directors Association  
Colorado Neurological Society  
Colorado Radiological Society  
Colorado Rheumatology Association  
Colorado Society of Clinical Pathologists  
Colorado Society of Osteopathic Medicine  
Rocky Mountain Urological Association  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*

Connecticut State Medical Society  
ACOG Connecticut Section  
American College of Physicians Connecticut Chapter  
Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Connecticut ENT Society  
Connecticut Geriatrics Society  
Connecticut Orthopaedic Society  
Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society  
Radiological Society of Connecticut  
Region One—Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society\*  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*

Medical Society of Delaware  
ACOG Delaware Section  
American College of Physicians Delaware Chapter  
Delaware Academy of Ophthalmology  
Delaware Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Delaware Allergy Society  
Delaware Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Delaware Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Delaware Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Delaware Radiological Society  
Delaware Society of Orthopaedic Surgeons

Delaware Society of Pathologists  
Delaware Urological Society  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Psychiatric Society of Delaware

Medical Society of the District of Columbia  
ACOG District of Columbia Section  
American College of Physicians District of Columbia Chapter  
District of Columbia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
District of Columbia Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Greater Washington Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society  
Rheumatism Society of the District of Columbia  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Washington D.C. Dermatological Society  
Washington Metropolitan Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Society

Florida Medical Association Inc  
ACOG Florida Section  
American College of Physicians Florida Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Florida Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Florida Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Florida Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Florida Medical Directors Association  
Florida Psychiatric Society  
Florida Radiological Society  
Florida Society of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery  
Florida Society of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery  
Florida Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Florida Society of Pathologists  
Florida Society of Rheumatology  
Greater Miami Otolaryngology Association  
Jacksonville Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Society of Hospital Medicine—Western Florida Chapter  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Medical Association of Georgia  
ACOG Georgia Section  
American College of Physicians Georgia Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Georgia Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists  
Georgia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Georgia Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Georgia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Georgia Medical Directors Association

Georgia Orthopaedic Society  
Georgia Psychiatric Physicians Association  
Georgia Radiological Society  
Georgia Society of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery  
Georgia Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Georgia Society of Rheumatology  
Metro Atlanta Otolaryngology —Head and Neck Society  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Hawaii Medical Association  
ACOG Hawaii Section  
Hawaii Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Hawaii Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Hawaii Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Hawaii Society of Pathologists  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Idaho Medical Association  
ACOG Idaho Section  
Idaho Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Idaho Psychiatric Association  
Idaho Society of Ophthalmology  
Idaho Society of Pathologists  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Illinois State Medical Society  
ACOG Illinois Section  
American College of Physicians Illinois Chapter  
Illinois Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons  
Illinois Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Illinois Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Illinois Dermatological Society  
Illinois Medical Directors Association  
Illinois Osteopathic Medical Society  
Illinois Psychiatric Society  
Illinois Radiological Society  
Illinois Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Illinois Society of Pathologists  
Society of Hospital Medicine—Chicago Chapter

Indiana State Medical Association  
ACOG Indiana Section  
Central Indiana Otolaryngology Society  
Indiana Academy of Ophthalmology



Indiana Association of Pathologists  
Indiana Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Indiana Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Indiana Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Indiana Medical Directors Association  
Indiana Orthopaedic Society  
Indiana Osteopathic Association  
Ohio River Regional Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*

Iowa Medical Society  
ACOG Iowa Section  
American College of Physicians Iowa Chapter  
Iowa Academy of Ophthalmology  
Iowa Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Iowa Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Iowa Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Iowa Dermatological Society  
Iowa Neurological Association  
Iowa Psychiatric Society  
Iowa Radiological Society  
Minnesota - Midwest Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*

ACOG Kansas Section  
American College of Physicians Kansas Chapter  
Central Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation\*  
Kansas Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Kansas Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Kansas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Kansas Society of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery  
Kansas Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Kansas Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Kansas Society of Pathologists  
Kansas Urological Association

Kentucky Medical Association  
ACOG Kentucky Section  
Kentucky Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Kentucky Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Kentucky Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Kentucky Chapter of the American College of Radiology  
Kentucky Osteopathic Medical Association  
Kentucky Psychiatric Medical Association  
Kentucky Rheumatology Alliance  
Kentucky Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Kentucky Society of Pathologists

Ohio River Regional Chapter of the American Association of Clinical  
Endocrinologists\*Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Louisiana State Medical Society  
ACOG Louisiana Section  
American College of Physicians Louisiana Chapter  
Louisiana Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Louisiana Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Louisiana American Medical Directors Association  
Louisiana Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Louisiana Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Louisiana Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Louisiana Orthopaedic Association  
Louisiana Osteopathic Medical Association  
Louisiana Pathology Society  
Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association  
Radiological Society of Louisiana  
Rheumatology Alliance of Louisiana  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Southern States Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*

Maine Medical Association  
ACOG Maine Section  
American College of Physicians Maine Chapter  
Dirigo-Maine Geriatrics Society  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Maine Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Maine Medical Directors Association  
Maine Radiological Society  
Maine Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Maine Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
Northern New England Chapter of the American College of Cardiology\*  
Region One—Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society\*  
Society of Hospital Medicine—Maine Chapter

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society  
ACOG Maryland Section  
American College of Physicians Maryland Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Maryland Allergy and Asthma Society  
Maryland Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Maryland Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Maryland Dermatological Society  
Maryland Geriatrics Society  
Maryland Psychiatric Society  
Maryland Radiological Society

Maryland Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Maryland Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Maryland Society of Pathologists  
Society of Hospital Medicine – Maryland Chapter  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Massachusetts Medical Society  
ACOG Massachusetts Section  
American College of Physicians Massachusetts Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Massachusetts Medical Directors Association  
Massachusetts Osteopathic Society  
Massachusetts Psychiatric Society  
Massachusetts Radiological Society  
Massachusetts Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Massachusetts Society of Pathologists  
Region One—Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society\*

Michigan State Medical Society  
ACOG Michigan Section  
Michigan Association of Neurological Surgeons  
Michigan Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Michigan Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Michigan Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Michigan Dermatologic Society  
Michigan Medical Directors Association  
Michigan Orthopaedic Society  
Michigan Osteopathic Association  
Michigan Otolaryngological Society  
Michigan Psychiatric Society  
Michigan Radiological Society  
Michigan Rheumatism Society  
Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Michigan Society of Pathologists  
Michigan Urological Society  
Society of Hospital Medicine—Southern Michigan Chapter

Minnesota Medical Association  
ACOG Minnesota Section  
American College of Physicians Minnesota Chapter  
Central Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation\*  
Minnesota - Midwest Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
Minnesota Academy of Ophthalmology

Minnesota Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Minnesota Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Minnesota Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Minnesota Dermatological Society  
Minnesota Geriatrics Society  
Minnesota Medical Directors Association  
Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society  
Minnesota Radiological Society  
Minnesota Society of Pathologists

Mississippi State Medical Association  
ACOG Mississippi Chapter  
American College of Physicians Mississippi Chapter  
Mississippi Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Mississippi Academy of Family Physicians  
Mississippi Academy of Pediatricians  
Mississippi Association of Pathologists  
Mississippi Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Mississippi Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Mississippi Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Mississippi Dermatological Society  
Mississippi Orthopaedic Society  
Mississippi Osteopathic Medical Association  
Mississippi Psychiatric Association  
Mississippi Psychiatric Society  
Mississippi Radiologic Society  
Mississippi Society of Anesthesiologists  
Mississippi Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Southern States Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*

Missouri State Medical Association  
ACOG Missouri Section  
American College of Physicians Missouri Chapter  
Missouri Association of Long Term Care Practitioners  
Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons  
Missouri Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Missouri Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Missouri Psychiatric Association  
Missouri Radiological Society  
Missouri Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Missouri Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Missouri Society of Pathologists  
Missouri Urological Association  
Society of Hospital Medicine—St. Louis Chapter  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Southwest Missouri Chapter of the American College of Surgeons

Montana Medical Association  
American College of Physicians Montana Chapter  
Montana Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Montana Society of Pathologists  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Nebraska Medical Association  
ACOG Nebraska Section  
American College of Physicians Nebraska Chapter  
Central Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation\*  
Nebraska Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Nebraska Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Nebraska Association of Pathologists  
Nebraska Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Nebraska Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Nebraska Medical Directors Association

Nevada State Medical Association  
ACOG Nevada Section  
American College of Physicians Nevada Chapter  
Nevada Academy of Ophthalmology  
Nevada Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Nevada Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Nevada Osteopathic Medical Association  
Nevada Society of Pathologists  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

New Hampshire Medical Society  
ACOG New Hampshire Section  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
New Hampshire Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
New Hampshire Medical Directors Association  
New Hampshire Psychiatric Society  
New Hampshire Radiological Society  
New Hampshire Society of Pathologists  
Northern New England Chapter of the American College of Cardiology\*  
Region One—Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society\*

Medical Society of New Jersey  
American College of Physicians New Jersey Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
New Jersey Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society

New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons  
New Jersey Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
New Jersey Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
New Jersey Medical Directors Association  
New Jersey Neurosurgical Society  
New Jersey Rheumatology Association  
New Jersey Society of Pathologists  
New Jersey Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
Radiological Society of New Jersey

New Mexico Medical Society  
ACOG New Mexico Section  
American College of Physicians New Mexico Chapter  
New Mexico Academy of Ophthalmology  
New Mexico Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
New Mexico Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
New Mexico Medical Directors Association  
New Mexico Orthopaedic Association  
New Mexico Osteopathic Medical Association  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*

ACOG New York Section  
American College of Physicians New York Chapter  
Brooklyn-Long Island Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Brooklyn Psychiatric Society  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Long Island Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Lower New York Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists  
New York Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
New York Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
New York County Psychiatric Society  
New York Laryngological Society  
New York Medical Directors Association  
New York Otologic Society  
New York State Neurosurgical Society  
New York State Radiological Society  
New York State Rheumatology Society  
New York State Society of Orthopaedic Surgeons  
New York State Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
New York State Society of Pathologists  
Region One—Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society\*  
Society of Hospital Medicine – New York City/Westchester Chapter  
Upper New York Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists

North Carolina Medical Society  
ACOG North Carolina Section  
American College of Physicians North Carolina Chapter  
Carolinas Chapter / American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
North Carolina Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
North Carolina Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
North Carolina Dermatology Association  
North Carolina Medical Directors Association  
North Carolina Neurological Society  
North Carolina Obstetrical and Gynecological Society  
North Carolina Orthopaedic Association  
North Carolina Psychiatric Association  
North Carolina Radiological Society  
North Carolina Rheumatology Association  
North Carolina Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
North Carolina Society of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery  
North Carolina Society of Pathologists  
North Carolina Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

North Dakota Medical Association  
ACOG North Dakota Section  
Minnesota - Midwest Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
North Dakota Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
North Dakota Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
North Dakota Orthopaedic Society  
North Dakota Psychiatric Society  
North Dakota Society of Anesthesiologists  
North Dakota Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
The Great Plains Chapter of the American College of Cardiology

Ohio State Medical Association  
ACOG Ohio Section  
American College of Physicians Ohio Chapter  
Northeastern Ohio Otolaryngology —Head and Neck Society  
Ohio Association of Rheumatology  
Ohio Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Ohio Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Ohio Dermatological Association  
Ohio Gastroenterology and Liver Institute  
Ohio Gastroenterology Society  
Ohio Medical Directors Association  
Ohio Orthopaedic Society  
Ohio Osteopathic Association

Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Association  
Ohio River Regional Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
Ohio Society of Pathologists  
Ohio State Neurosurgical Association  
Ohio State Society of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians

Oklahoma State Medical Association  
ACOG Oklahoma Section  
American College of Physicians Oklahoma Chapter  
Oklahoma Academy of Ophthalmology  
Oklahoma Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Oklahoma Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Oklahoma Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Oklahoma Osteopathic Association  
Oklahoma Radiological Society  
Oklahoma Society of Pathologists  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Oregon Medical Association  
ACOG Oregon Section  
American College of Physicians Oregon Chapter  
Oregon Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Oregon Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Oregon Dermatology Society  
Oregon Geriatrics Society  
Oregon Medical Directors Association  
Oregon Pathology Association  
Oregon Psychiatric Physicians Association  
Oregon Radiological Society  
Oregon Rheumatology Alliance  
Oregon Society of Medical Oncology  
Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Pennsylvania Medical Society  
ACOG Pennsylvania Section  
American College of Physicians Pennsylvania Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Keystone Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Ohio River Regional Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
Pennsylvania Academy of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery  
Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology  
Pennsylvania Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Pennsylvania Allergy and Asthma Association



Pennsylvania Association of Pathologists  
Pennsylvania Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Pennsylvania Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society – Western Division  
Pennsylvania Medical Directors Association  
Pennsylvania Neurological Society  
Pennsylvania Neurosurgical Society  
Pennsylvania Psychiatric Society  
Pennsylvania Radiological Society  
Pennsylvania Rheumatology Society

Puerto Rico Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists  
Puerto Rico Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

Rhode Island Medical Society  
ACOG Rhode Island Section  
American College of Physicians Rhode Island Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Rhode Island Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Rhode Island Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Rhode Island Society of Ear Nose Throat Physicians  
Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons  
Rhode Island Society of Pathologists

South Carolina Medical Association  
ACOG South Carolina Section  
American College of Physicians South Carolina Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
South Carolina Association of Neurosurgeons  
South Carolina Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
South Carolina Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
South Carolina Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
South Carolina Medical Directors Association  
South Carolina Radiological Society  
South Carolina Rheumatism Society  
South Carolina Society of Ophthalmology  
South Carolina Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*

South Dakota State Medical Association  
ACOG South Dakota Section  
American College of Physicians South Dakota Chapter  
Minnesota - Midwest Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
South Dakota Medical Directors Association

South Dakota Society of Pathologists  
South Dakota State Orthopaedic Society

Tennessee Medical Association  
ACOG Tennessee Section  
American College of Physicians Tennessee Chapter  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Southern States Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians  
Tennessee Academy of Ophthalmology  
Tennessee Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
Tennessee Association of Long-Term Care Physicians  
Tennessee Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics  
Tennessee Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Tennessee Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Tennessee Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Tennessee Dermatology Society  
Tennessee Geriatrics Society  
Tennessee Neurosurgical Society  
Tennessee Orthopaedic Society  
Tennessee Radiological Society  
Tennessee Rheumatology Society  
Tennessee Society of Pathologists

Texas Medical Association  
ACOG Texas Section  
American College of Physicians Texas Chapter  
Central Texas Rheumatology Society  
North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Rheumatology Society of North Texas  
Society of Hospital Medicine—North Central Texas Chapter  
South East Texas Rheumatology Society  
South Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Texas Academy of Ophthalmological Association  
Texas Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society  
Texas Association of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Texas Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Texas Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Texas Dermatological Society  
Texas Ophthalmological Association  
Texas Orthopaedic Association  
Texas Osteopathic Medical Association  
Texas Pediatric Society  
Texas Radiological Society  
Texas Society of Anesthesiologists

Texas Society of Pathologists  
Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons  
Texas Urological Society  
TMDA – Texas Society of Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*

Utah Medical Association  
ACOG Utah Section  
Utah Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Utah Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Utah Psychiatric Association  
Utah Radiological Society  
Utah Society of Pathologists  
Utah State Orthopaedic Society  
Utah Urological Society  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Vermont Medical Society  
ACOG Vermont Section  
American College of Physicians Vermont Chapter Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Region One—Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society\*  
Vermont Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Vermont Otolaryngology Society

Medical Society of Virginia  
ACOG Virginia Section  
American College of Physicians Virginia Chapter  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Psychiatric Society of Virginia  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Virginia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Virginia Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Virginia Chapter of the American College of Radiology  
Virginia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons  
Virginia Medical Directors Association  
Virginia Orthopaedic Society  
Virginia Society for Pathology  
Virginia Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons  
Virginia Society of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
Virginia Society of Rheumatologists  
Virginia Surgical Society  
Virginia Urologic Society

Washington State Medical Association  
ACOG Washington Section

American College of Physicians Washington State Chapter  
Washington Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Washington Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Washington Osteopathic Medical Association  
Washington Rheumatology Alliance  
Washington State Association of Neurological Surgeons  
Washington State Dermatology Association  
Washington State Medical Directors Association  
Washington State Neurological Society  
Washington State Orthopaedic Association  
Washington State Society of Pathologists  
Washington Urological Association  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

West Virginia State Medical Association  
ACOG West Virginia Section  
Eastern Orthopaedic Association\*  
Southern Orthopaedic Association\*  
West Virginia Academy of Family Physicians  
West Virginia Academy of Otolaryngology  
West Virginia Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery  
West Virginia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
West Virginia Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
West Virginia Orthopaedic Society  
West Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association  
West Virginia Psychiatric Association  
West Virginia Rheumatology State Society  
West Virginia Society of Pathology

Wisconsin Medical Society  
ACOG Wisconsin Section  
American College of Physicians Wisconsin Chapter  
Minnesota - Midwest Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists\*  
Wisconsin Academy of Ophthalmology  
Wisconsin Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Wisconsin Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Wisconsin Dermatological Society  
Wisconsin Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine  
Wisconsin Society of Pathologists  
Wisconsin Surgical Society – A Chapter of the American College of Surgeons

Wyoming Medical Society  
ACOG Wyoming Section  
Western Orthopaedic Association\*  
Western Section of the American Urological Association\*

Wyoming Chapter of the American College of Cardiology  
Wyoming Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians  
Wyoming Ophthalmological Society  
Wyoming Society of Pathologists

\* These chapters are listed in multiple states

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