

# NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY

# 2023 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The North Carolina Medical Society elevates the voice of its members to initiate legislative engagement and respond to legislative developments that will impact the medical profession and patient care. Our legislative priorities reflect the Society's and our members' commitment to patient advocacy, the importance of the patient-clinician relationship, and systematic reform of the health care system.



## **BUILD A SUSTAINABLE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE**

We're advocating for systemic changes that prioritize clinician well-being and build a health care workforce that meets North Carolina's needs.

- Address Workplace Violence Against Health Care Teams
- Expand Physician and Physician Assistant Workforce to Support North Carolina Communities
- Protect the Well-Being of the Health Care Workforce



## **ATTAIN AN ACCESSIBLE, EQUITABLE, & PATIENT-CENTERED HEALTH CARE SYSTEM**

We're advocating for comprehensive health care reform that enables clinicians to put patients first by providing high value, evidence-based care.

- Redesign Health Care Payment Models to Support Value Driven Care
- Support Health Insurance Reform to Improve Coverage & Cost of Care
- Prioritize Patient Safety by Promoting Team-Based Care & Meaningful Physician Collaboration
- Preserve Medical Liability Reform



## **PROTECT THE CLINICIAN-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP**

We're advocating for measures designed to support physicians and physician assistants' role as patient advocates.

- Defend against Legislative Intrusion into the Clinician-Patient Relationship
- Prevent Criminalization of Health Care Decision Making
- Remove Barriers Impacting Clinicians' Ability to Exercise Their Best Professional Judgement When Making Patient Care Decisions.