

2023-2024 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The North Carolina Medical Society elevates the voice of its members to initiate legislative engagement and to respond to legislative developments that impact the medical profession and patient care. Our legislative priorities reflect the Society's and its 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 advocate 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, AND PATIENT-CENTERED HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

We advocate 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 and Cost of Care
- Prioritize Patient Safety by Promoting Team-Based Care and Meaningful Physician Collaboration
- Preserve Medical Liability Reform



PROTECT THE CLINICIAN-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP

We advocate for measures designed to support the physician and physician assistant 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