NYACP Advocacy Week: May 2-6, 2022

Recapping A Successful Week to Remember!

Monday, May 2 – Podcasts Released

Did you get a chance to listen to our new advocacy-related podcasts? If not, then make plans to hear directly from our advocacy interns and physician leaders about recent experiences and successes.

NYACP Advocacy Internship: Experiences from the Chapter’s Advocacy Interns

2022 Advocacy Topics of Interest

NYACP also shared tools and recourses on why physician advocacy is important and how to build legislator relationships. If you wish to listen to these podcasts, go to the NYACP Physician Spotlight Podcast page.

Tuesday, May 3 – Call to Action

Did you join NYACP in its Call to Action to support a bill to create a PreAuthorization Gold Card for physicians? If not, there’s still time. So far, 151 letters have been sent to NYS Senators and Assembly Members requesting support for legislation.

The bill would expedite health care for patients in instances where a physician’s preauthorization requests are routinely approved by health insurance carriers by exempting the physician from securing preauthorization for common referrals. Expediting patient care and reducing a bit of administrative burden – a win-win! If you haven’t sent your letter yet, please do today through the Chapter’s Grassroots Advocacy Center.

There is a prepared letter with the option to personalize, which takes about 1 minute to send. Click here to send your letter now!

NYACP Leaders and Health and Public Policy Committee members also met with Senator Steward-Cousins’ Majority Counsel & Health Team to discuss and request support for the following bills:

- Prior Authorization “Gold Card: (A.9908/S.8299)
- Co-Pay Accumulator (A1741/S.5299)
- NYSIIS Registry (A.279/S75)

Wednesday, May 4th – Podcast Released

Member advocacy efforts with NYACP make an impact. Just ask Geriatrics Task Force Chair, Paula Lester, MD, FACP! In the podcast released today, her elation is evident as she discusses how the efforts of the Task Force resulted in being invited to the NY State Reimagining Long Term Care Task Force

Thursday, May 5th – Advocacy Day

NYACP Leaders and Health and Public Policy Committee members met with the following NYS Elected Representatives to request support for 3 of the Chapter’s top legislative priorities (prior auth “Gold Card/Co-Pay Accumulator/NYSIIS Registry):

- Assembly Member Carrie Woerner, Chair, NYS Agricultural Production & Technology Sub-Committee
- The office of Assembly Member Richard Gottfried, Chair, NYS Assembly Health Committee
- The office of Senator Neil Breslin, Chair, NYS Senate Insurance Committee
The office of Assembly Member Kevin Cahill, Chair, NYS Assembly Insurance Committee
The Office of Gustavo Rivera – NYS Chair, Senate Health Committee
The office of Senator Liz Krueger – Chair, NYS Senate Finance Committee
The office of Senator Rachel May – Chair, NYS Aging Committee and Chair, Legislative Commission on Rural Resources

Friday, May 6th – Advocacy Week in Review

Follow NYACP on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn to look back on the week with fellow physicians and recap on one of three important components of the Chapter’s Mission:
- Education
- ADVOCACY
- Quality Improvement and Patient Safety