

Position Title: Member, Government & Public Advocacy Committee

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Work Location: Primarily remote with an in-person meeting at the ASHG Annual Meeting location

Committee Charge/Description: The Government and Public Advocacy Committee (GPAC) provides recommendations to the Board regarding ASHG's policy and advocacy priorities and activities. It manages content of policy forum topics at the annual meeting and pursues programs that engage members in year-round advocacy and government affairs. The committee's work is guided by its [action plan](#), an ASHG Board-approved document created in support of the Society's [Strategic Plan](#). The activities are reviewed by the Board for funding on an annual basis

Position Roles and Responsibilities:

- Guide and participate in activities in pursuit of Action Plan desired outcomes
- Participate in ASHG's annual Capitol Hill Day and the Rally for Medical Research
- Participate in committee video conference calls and attend in-person meetings
- May include:
 - input on the development of advocacy resources for members
 - guidance on policy and advocacy events at the Annual Meeting and Capitol Hill
 - recommendations regarding the issuance of statements on key policy topics

Qualifications:

- Must be current ASHG member
- Interest in engagement of ASHG members in national advocacy
- Interest or experience in advancing genetics policy issues important for research, health, and society

Commitment:

- Three-year term; no member may serve more than two consecutive terms. Typical service is two hours per month

Benefits:

- Help shape ASHG's advocacy programming for members and advance the Society's advocacy goals
- Networking opportunities with peers and leaders in the human genetics field
- Receive a Certificate of Service
- List the service on your resume/CV