

National Association for Behavioral Healthcare Champions Political Action Committee

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### What is the NABH Champions Political Action Committee?

The NABH Champions political action committee, or PAC, is a nonpartisan organization that allows our eligible association members to pool voluntary financial contributions to support candidates running for elective office. The NABH Champions PAC was formed in 1979 and aims to build congressional champions for behavioral healthcare on both sides of the political aisle.

The NABH Champions PAC is not a Super PAC. Super PACs can receive unlimited contributions (including corporate contributions) and spend unlimited amounts. The NABH Champions PAC can only accept funds from qualified individuals and PACs and adheres to strict fundraising and spending guidelines established by the Federal Election Commission (FEC).

### Why does NABH need a PAC?

The NABH Champions PAC is the only PAC that represents the needs of behavioral healthcare providers on Capitol Hill. The public policy arena is competitive, and by pooling the resources of many in our field, the PAC ensures our voice is stronger than one individual acting alone. This empowers us to be heard and build relationships with key members of Congress and their staff.

### How does the PAC fit into NABH's advocacy efforts?

The NABH Champions PAC is just one part of NABH's overall advocacy program. The PAC serves as the financial arm by providing contributions to congressional champions' campaigns. This ensures that when a key behavioral healthcare issue arises, the relationship has already been established for our legislative team to educate these members of Congress on our policy positions. Our top priorities include behavioral healthcare parity, removing federal barriers to care, expanding the behavioral healthcare workforce and strengthening the care continuum.

### Why should I contribute to the NABH Champions PAC?

Federal law prohibits corporate trade associations, such as NABH, from contributing funds directly to federal candidates. Instead, eligible individuals can support candidates running for Congress by contributing to the association's PAC. It is important to note that 100% of your contributions to the NABH Champions PAC go directly to federal candidates. By contributing to the NABH Champions PAC, you are protecting the future of behavioral healthcare and ensuring patient access and care to behavioral healthcare treatment.

## **Enrollment Form**



## NABH CHAMPIONS PAC CAN COUNT ON MY SUPPORT.

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#### Mail form to:

NABH Champions PAC 900 17th Street NW, Suite 420 Washington, DC 20006 Contributions from foreign nationals and corporations are prohibited. Contributions are voluntary, and you may contribute at any amount (or not at all) without reprisal. Contribution guidelines are suggestions and the amount given, or the refusal to give, will not benefit or disadvantage the person being solicited. Contributions may only be made using personal credit cards; corporation contributions are not permitted. Contributions to the NABH Champions PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

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