



Government Affairs Committee Committee Member Position Description

Purpose: The Government Affairs Committee influences the regulation, legislation and development of policy relating to occupational safety and health by building meaningful and collaborative relationships with stakeholders and by engaging ASSP members in government affairs activities.

Key Responsibilities

- Develop comments or position papers on issues of concern to the Society
- Monitor opportunities to influence regulations, legislation and policy development
- Provide support and outreach to local leaders in pursuing advocacy
- Help build ASSP's strategic relationships with government officials and other external stakeholders
- Provide prompt response via e-mail or phone when time-sensitive issues emerge
- Attend meetings as needed, not more than one face-to-face per year
- Participate in committee conference calls

Support

- Orientation with Government Affairs Committee chair and staff liaison

Benefits

- Develop transferable team and consensus-building skills
- Contribute to the growth and development of ASSP and the safety profession
- Earn professional certification maintenance points

Time Commitment

- Term of office: 3 years; July 1 to June 30
- Average hours per month: up to 5 hours

Qualifications

- Member of ASSP in good standing
- Previous experience in advocacy or government affairs
- Comfort representing ASSP government affairs to a wide variety of audiences, including ASSP members and government officials

Contact

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The Government Affairs Committee is a standing committee of the Council on Professional Affairs. The council vice president appoints members. Nominations are reviewed each May and appointments are announced each June.

