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Hearing Education Political Action Committee NJAHHP is fighting for you and the people you serve.

NJAHHP is working aggressively to protect your practice, but your contribution is crucial to keep our momentum going. Your support enables NJAHHP to effectively advocate for good hearing health by educating influential state and federal officials on the dangers of direct hearing aid sales and other issues that affect our profession.

HEPAC provides the means to amplify our collective voice and increases our role in the policy decision-making process. By making a donation, you have the opportunity to help safeguard the highest level of patient care.

Every HEPAC dollar is a significant investment in the future of our profession. Here are just a few examples of how NJAHHP made a difference in 2011 with your HEPAC contribution:

Opposing Board Consolidation: NJAHHP swiftly responded to an ill-advised proposal from the Christie Administration calling for the consolidation of the Audiology and Speech Language Pathology Board with the Hearing Aid Dispensers Committee. The Association drafted a white paper detailing the deficiencies of the plan and is remaining engaged in discussions. To date, the required enabling legislation has not been introduced.

Legislative Watchdog: NJAHHP monitors all legislative and regulatory initiatives that have the potential to impact the profession and weighs in where necessary. In the past year, NJAHHP Trustees gained access to lawmakers and committees in Trenton and Newark, meeting with them to establish alliances and further our positions to protect the interests of professionals and patients alike. It is only through our lobbying efforts that we are able make our voices heard.

Currently, our most pressing issues are:

Direct-dispensing via health insurance companies and internet sales, undermining patient safety and circumventing established practice guidelines. NJAHHP is lobbying for changes to state laws to block such unlicensed dispensing.

Medicaid restructuring, which has left patients confused and without access to convenient care, and left many practitioners excluded from participation. NJAHHP is working to prove that the restructuring is harmful to the most vulnerable of our citizens, and hearing aid dispensers who have served them for years.

WE NEED YOUR HELP. FUNDS ARE RUNNING LOW. PLEASE DONATE TODAY!