

Staying Involved with Policy Year-Round

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Policy Involvement Starts with Knowing your Legislators

Forming grass-roots relationships with legislators at all levels of government is the foundation for policy progress

Why is Policy Important?

- Draws attention to the dietetics profession and promotes Dietitians as *the* experts in food & nutrition
- Engaging in politics provides a greater understanding of how policy works
- Policy is all about relationships – forming relationships with legislators is key

Kickstart your “Career” in Policy

- Anyone can get involved in policy and as Dietitians, we should
- Start by signing up to be a Public Policy Partner
- Learn who your legislators are and don't forget to vote
- Connect, connect, connect

What is a Public Policy Partner?

- A Dietitian member of SCAND who agrees to personally contact their legislators several times a year
- PPPs have a mission to establish regular communication with legislators about who dietitians are, what we do, and why we are the nutrition experts!

Getting Involved

- Call, email or meet up with your legislators
- Do your research and vote for legislators that support the work of Dietitians your values
- Attend Policy Day with SCAND
- Complete Action Alerts by the Academy
- Serve on the Public Policy Committee with SCAND!

Thank You!

Email scpolicypartners@gmail.com with any questions!