# Advocacy in North America: Past, Present, Future

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### Learning Objectives

- Review American Academy of Neurology role in Advocacy in North America
- Discuss Examples of Advocacy Priorities
- Understand how Advocacy affects Neurology practices and patients

## Key Messages

- It is very important to get involved and advocate for the needs of our profession and our patients
- Change can happen with focused advocacy efforts
- Many resources are available to help including through WFN, AAN and others

#### Resources

- AAN Advocacy Resources
  - aan.com/policy-and-guidelines
- AAN Advocacy Toolkit
  - aan.com/policy-and-guidelines/advocacy/advocacytoolkit
- PALF
  - aan.com/conferences-community/leadershipprograms/palatucci-advocacy-leadership
- Headache on the Hill
  - Allianceforheadacheadvocacy.org
- World Federation of Neurology
  - wfneurology.org/brain-health-initiative