

CSM Script

PT-PAC is essential in helping our friends in Congress win on Election Day which ultimately advances our legislative agenda in Congress (**96% success rate in 2016**). Your donations enable APTA staff and members to participate in fundraisers to talk to members of Congress about the importance of physical therapy in the health care system and how it impacts their constituents.

What happens if APTA members don't support PT-PAC? It means limited access to Members of Congress and their staff on a continually basis to build relationships with them to move our issues forward! If not us, another health care provider is defining physical therapy (**Personal Examples of Attending Fundraisers**).

Results and Challenges in the past Year

- **Repeal of a Hard Medicare Therapy Cap**
- **Inclusion of PTAs in TRICARE**
- **Withdrawal of the CMS proposed rule on orthotics and prosthetics regulations**
- **PTA Differential in 2022**

The big question for all of us in this room is - Will you help PT-PAC shape health care policy? **Only 10.6% of Section membership supported PT-PAC in 2017 (third lowest of all sections)**. If every member would give \$20 every year, we would be the largest health care provider PAC in the country.

Please consider contributing in the PT-PAC envelopes at one of our club levels (\$100 or higher), our \$20 campaign, or whatever you can give. PT-PAC needs the tools to effectively advocate on Capitol Hill. Thank you for your support.