

3. Send your personal check made payable to MHAPAC along with this form to:

Mississippi Hospital Association  
Attn: PAC Coordinator  
P.O. Box 16444  
Jackson, MS 39236-6444

4. Are you a member of an MHA Affiliated Society? If yes, which one?

**State/federal law governs all contributions. Reporting of the information from the reverse side is required.**

## MHAPAC Goals

- Efficient and responsible government
- Candidates for public office who will work toward principles of quality health care
- Active participation in the political process
- Organized, effective political action
- Strengthen the political education of our membership through awareness of government, candidates and important political issues

For more information, contact MHAPAC Coordinator Shannon Dozier at 601-368-3250 or [sdozier@mhonet.org](mailto:sdozier@mhonet.org).

**Thank you for your support!**

### Where does my contribution go?

MHAPAC funds are used to contribute to political campaigns and support involvement of MHA members in the political process. The MHAPAC Board of Directors governs the activities and funds of the PAC.

A portion of eligible personal contributions is transferred to the American Hospital Association's Political Action Committee (AHAPAC) for support of federal campaigns. This is the only way MHAPAC is permitted to contribute to campaigns for federal office. The remaining contributions are used for candidates for state office.

MHAPAC publishes all endorsements and the amount of reportable contributions made to campaigns.

### Is my contribution tax deductible?

No. Contributions to political action committees are not deductible on federal or state income tax returns.

### How do I join?

It's simple. Fill out the registration form enclosed with this brochure, write a check payable to MHA-PAC, and mail it to:

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*If you need more information, we would be happy to answer your questions and explain why we think joining MHAPAC is so important. Please call MHA at (800) 289-8884 ext. 3250 or (601) 368-3250.*



**TOGETHER...  
WE CAN MAKE  
A DIFFERENCE.**



  
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MISSISSIPPI HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

## What is MHAPAC?

MHAPAC is the political action committee of the Mississippi Hospital Association. MHAPAC is a statewide organization created to achieve legislative and political action and to preserve quality health care in Mississippi. MHAPAC was founded in 1984 to help pursue a stronger advocacy role and to achieve greater political potency for Mississippi's hospitals.

MHAPAC is an independent, non-profit organization. It is not affiliated with any political party. Participation in MHAPAC is voluntary.

## What are MHAPAC's goals?

- To promote efficient and responsible government.
- To support candidates for public office who will work toward principles of quality health care supported by the Mississippi hospital community.
- To encourage active participation in the political process by our membership.
- To provide members with a means for organized, effective political action.
- To strengthen the political education of our membership through awareness of government, candidates and important political issues.

## Why does MHA need a political action committee?

In Congress and across the country, health care issues have moved to the forefront of the legislative debate. Whether the issues involve Medicare and Medicaid funding, prescription drugs, provider taxes or medical malpractice, elected officials in Jackson and Washington, D.C. are looking for ways to control escalating costs of health care services, while at the same time ensuring continued quality.

It is imperative that MHA, as a voice for Mississippi hospitals, be able to provide our per-

spective to legislators on legislation that promises to affect our membership. MHAPAC serves on the state level as one vital mechanism in these efforts.

The fundamental purpose of MHAPAC is to provide MHA with an additional tool to complement our legislative advocacy efforts. Rest assured that other advocacy groups, some of which are associated with the health care sector and others that are not, have their own PACs and use them effectively.

The practical reality is that the political campaign process creates the necessity for financial support to ensure any candidate's election. MHAPAC allows our members to help specific campaigns.

Through MHAPAC, many individual voices become one large voice on legislative issues of concern to our hospital community and our patients.

## Who can contribute?

### Personal Members

Hospital staff, trustees and volunteers may join MHAPAC as personal members.

- **Staff:** In addition to the CEO, management and supervisory personnel are encouraged to participate in MHAPAC. Small contributions from hospital staff go a long way toward helping MHAPAC meet its goals.
- **Trustees:** A hospital's Board of Trustees is involved in planning its future. Trustees are responsible for critical decisions about services and quality of care. Trustees have a deep understanding of the challenges faced by Mississippi hospitals. Trustees are natural advocates for hospitals and their willingness to support MHAPAC is key.
- **Volunteers:** Volunteers already donate both time and energy to the delivery of health care in the hospital. Their commitment and devotion extend to many areas. Becoming a member of MHAPAC is an

important way to extend service to their hospital.

### Corporate Members

Investor-owned organizations and for-profit subsidiaries of non-profit organizations may join MHAPAC as corporate members.

## What are the levels of membership?

### Personal Membership

#### Chairman's Circle - \$500 or more

- AHA's Chairman's Circle Lapel Pin
- Invitation to and reserved seating at the Capitol Club luncheon during AHA's Annual Meeting
- MHA Gift of Appreciation
- MHAPAC T-shirt

#### Capitol Club - \$250-\$499

- AHA's Capitol Club Lapel Pin
- Invitation to the Capitol Club Luncheon during AHA's Annual Meeting
- MHA Gift of Appreciation
- MHAPAC T-shirt

#### VIP Member - \$100-\$249

- MHAPAC T-shirt

#### Special Member - \$50-99

- MHAPAC T-shirt

#### Regular Member - \$25-49

- MHAPAC T-shirt

### Corporate Membership

#### Corporate Patron - \$1000 or more

- Logo on MHAPAC website
- Complimentary tickets to MHAPAC events

#### Corporate Supporter - \$500-\$999

- Logo on MHAPAC website

#### Corporate Member - less than \$500

- Company name on MHAPAC website

*All personal and corporate members are recognized throughout the year in MHA publications and at MHA events.*

## MHAPAC Membership Form

Joining the MHAPAC is easy!

1. Select your contribution level:

- Chairman's Circle (\$500 or more)
- Capitol Club (\$250-\$499)
- VIP Member (\$100-\$249)
- Special Member (\$50-\$99)
- Regular Member (less than \$50)
- Corporate Patron (\$1000 or more)
- Corporate Supporter (\$500-\$999)
- Corporate Member (less than \$500)

2. Contributions of \$250 or more may be made in two equal payments. MHAPAC will send a reminder in three months.  
Amount Pledged \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Information required by Campaign Reporting Law

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| Employer   |       |     |
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