



Partnering to Shape Association Policy

Influence the Association's programs, advocacy, communications, and education: Join a Council

Through AAHomecare's councils, you have a seat at the table to help shape policy on a wide range of issues, share and promote best practices in the HME sector, network with colleagues, gain valuable insight as to how industry peers are facing business challenges, and take a leadership role on key advocacy initiatives. Several councils are open to all AAHomecare members and are comprised of a diverse group of suppliers, manufacturers, and support service companies.

Complex Rehab & Mobility Council

The Council addresses key issues pertaining to the standard mobility and Complex Rehab Technology space and works closely with the consumer community to identify key legislative, regulatory, and payer issues that could affect access and choice.

Key areas of focus include educating federal/state legislators and payers about the benefits of rehab technology and need for sustainable reimbursement, securing Medicare coverage and funding for seat elevation, addressing "repair and service reform" initiatives, passing legislation to allow upgrades within a code, and more.

Council members meet bi-monthly via Zoom plus in-person meetings at major industry events like Medtrade.

Home Medical Equipment & Respiratory Therapy Council

The HME/RT Council works on initiatives affecting the respiratory therapy and general home medical equipment space.

Key priorities include supporting association-wide efforts to secure rate relief, developing position papers on ventilators, custom tracheostomy tubes, and enteral nutrition, offering clinical respiratory insights for Association initiatives, and more.

The Council meets in-person at major industry events like Medtrade and hosts periodic Zoom meetings through the year.

"The AAHomecare Council meetings are a highly valuable benefit to the HME Industry and my company. We can meet with fellow industry leaders who have the same concerns and challenges and work together to make a change in how we serve our customers and community. It has been very satisfying!"



-Roxanne Venard, RRT,
Ascent Respiratory Care (CO)



Payer Relations Council

Medical Supplies Council

The Medical Supplies Council works on initiatives in the disposable supplies space, including incontinence, ostomy, urologicals, woundcare, and other supplies.



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Currently, the Council is conducting industry wide research surveys on the market dynamics and costs of providing disposable supplies & developing subsequent infographics, creating a white paper on enteral nutrition, addressing denials from unreported Part A episodes, creating advocacy resources for various supplies, and more!

The Council holds quarterly hybrid Zoom/in-person one-day meetings and supplemental Council and work group meetings as needed.

State Leaders Council (Invitation Only)

The AAHomecare State Leaders Council provides a platform for state association executives and their leaders to work with AAHomecare on breaking grass-roots advocacy needs and initiatives while sharing their states' legislative and regulatory developments and learning how others have addressed similar issues. The State Leaders Council Chair has a position on the AAHomecare Executive Committee, fostering collaboration among Industry stakeholders to achieve shared priorities.

Payer Relations Council (Invitation Only)

This Council is building a road map for the HME industry to succeed outside of the Medicare space.

Priorities include securing rate floors and any willing provider protections in partnership with state associations, securing greater data transparency among payers, educating payers on the value of the industry, advocating at the federal level for positive improvements to the states, and ensuring that MCOs and MAs are following government guidelines.

Regulatory Council (Invitation Only)

The mission of AAHomecare's Regulatory Council is to monitor, review, and develop comments on regulatory policies that impact the HME community. The Council's focus areas include Medicare audits, coverage policies, and competitive bidding.



Regulatory Council

Diabetes Council (Invitation Only)

As the need for diabetes devices grows, so does the need for a cohesive group of diabetes supplies providers to strategize, advocate, and communicate the challenges of the market. As the newest Council in the Association, the Diabetes Council is poised to make a broad impact for the industry.