



SDSMA Background

The South Dakota State Medical Association (SDSMA) represents more than 1,600 medical doctors and doctors of osteopathy.

The SDSMA's physician-members are dedicated to protecting the health care interests of patients and enhancing the effectiveness of physicians throughout South Dakota.

Our mission is to promote the art and science of medicine, protect and improve the health of the public and provide leadership and advocacy in the field of quality health care.

The SDSMA is involved in advocacy efforts related to the most important issues facing health care today, including:

- Enhancing health literacy
- Expanding access to health care
- Increasing Medicaid reimbursement
- Reforming medical liability
- Reforming Medicare physician payment
- Improving clinical quality and patient safety
- Improving public health
- Supporting increased funding for medical education
- Continuing to fight tobacco use
- Enforcing scope of practice

District Medical Societies

The SDSMA is made up of 12 district medical societies. District medical societies provide the opportunity for physicians to meet, socialize, strategize and collaborate with their peers.

Specialty Societies

The SDSMA works closely with the various specialty societies in South Dakota. SDSMA's Council of Physicians includes a representative of each of these specialty societies:

- South Dakota Academy of Family Physicians
- South Dakota Academy of Ophthalmology
- South Dakota Academy of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
- South Dakota Academy of Otolaryngology
- South Dakota Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians
- South Dakota Chapter, American College of Pediatrics
- South Dakota Chapter, American College of Physicians
- South Dakota Chapter, American College of Radiology
- South Dakota Chapter, American College of Surgeons
- South Dakota Dermatologic Society
- South Dakota Orthopedic Association
- South Dakota Osteopathic Association
- South Dakota Psychiatric Association
- South Dakota Society of Anesthesiologists
- South Dakota Society of Pathologists
- South Dakota Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Related Organizations

SDSMAPAC

SDSMA Alliance

SDSMA Endowment

SD Medical Group Management Association

American Medical Association