### Committee

Committee on Chemistry & Public Affairs (CCPA)

### Type

Joint Board-Council Committee  
Appointed by the President and Board Chair

### Charter

The Committee on Chemistry and Public Affairs is responsible for advice and recommendation for ACS action on public policy matters involving the chemical sciences and technologies. To accomplish this, the Committee on Chemistry and Public Affairs shall:

1. Identify and analyze legislative, regulatory, research, science education funding and other science policy issues that impact the chemical sciences and technologies.

2. Define, propose, implement, and, where appropriate, work with groups within ACS on courses of action with respect to the above issues, which include but are not limited to: recommendations to the Board on appropriate studies or actions which should be undertaken; comments on policy issues which may be incorporated in ACS official policy statements; providing expert advice to the government on questions concerning the chemical sciences and technologies; and establishing ad hoc and standing subcommittees or task forces of experts to deal with specific issues.

3. Encourage and facilitate participation by the members of ACS in government relations.

4. Provide oversight for the ACS Public Policy Fellowships program, including the selection process.

### Goals and Activities

From the CCPA 2016-2019 Strategic Plan:

Mission: Increase ACS member engagement and effectiveness in impacting public policy.

GOAL 1: Empower and engage ACS members to interact with federal and state policymakers by providing tools, training, connections, and networks.

GOAL 2: Produce and maintain impactful and precise policy statements and messages on key issues of importance to the chemical enterprise [within the scope of legislative, regulatory, research, science education funding, and other science policy issues.]
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