

Our Mission

Serving our profession to provide the highest quality musculoskeletal care. Accomplishing our vision to be "the trusted leaders in advancing musculoskeletal health" is only possible if we help solve our patients' issues.



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Patient Advocacy Program

The American Association
of Orthopaedic Surgeons

Make a difference for
musculoskeletal care!

Program Details

Patient care is the cornerstone of AAOS advocacy efforts. It is what drives the daily lives of the orthopaedic surgeons we represent on Capitol Hill, and is the focal point of top healthcare policy issues facing our nation, including prior authorization delays and unfair surprise medical billing just to name a few. Hearing patient stories and understanding their personal struggles with burdensome processes and regulation are critical to improving overall care. The AAOS wants to bring these powerful voices to elected representatives with the ultimate goal of creating meaningful change for the entire musculoskeletal community.

[Join today at aaos.org/patientadvocacy](https://www.aaos.org/patientadvocacy)

How to Participate

- Fill out a [Patient Advocacy Intake Form](#) to help us understand what issue(s) concern you
- Join two AAOS-led webinars per year on various advocacy initiatives
- Participate in grassroots alerts, which send letters to members of Congress on timely policy issues
- Possibly come to Washington, D.C. to meet in-person with legislators

We want to help

Signing up is easy, and together we can change the quality of care for patients across the country!

Our issues are your issues

Patient voices are critical on many of the top health care issues we face as a nation, especially as we work to reform prior authorization, expand telemedicine services, and end harmful surprise billing.

