



## NABP Government Affairs

**T**he National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) created its Government Affairs department in 2010 to provide support to state boards of pharmacy as they seek to maintain high standards and effective regulation of the practice of pharmacy that protects public health, in the face of dwindling resources. Government Affairs staff has reached out to each member board of pharmacy to build a picture of each board's unique operations in order to ascertain how NABP can best provide any needed assistance. Government Affairs can also assist boards in staying current with nationwide trends, federal initiatives, or new issues or innovations in other states even as increasing travel restrictions prevent Board staff and members from attending national or regional meetings.

Some examples of Government Affairs services already provided to boards include:

- ✓ Tailoring existing NABP programs and services to meet individual state needs;
- ✓ Reviewing and providing feedback on proposed legislation and regulations;
- ✓ Tracking and monitoring critical state and federal legislation and providing information or resources needed to promote the view of the state board;
- ✓ Providing inspection resources to boards needing assistance;
- ✓ Providing evaluation of board operations upon request to boards seeking recommendations for improving efficiencies and quality;
- ✓ Providing written and in-person testimony upon request from member boards; and
- ✓ Attending board meetings to present on topics of interest or to assist boards with issues or assessments