



**ANNUAL REPORT**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ROBERT J. LEWANDOWSKI, MD, FSIR

The Society of Interventional Radiology Political Action Committee (SIRPAC) had another successful year (2024), expanding our advocacy efforts and reach.

Thank you to the 313 colleagues who collectively contributed more than \$60,000 to amplify the voice of IR policymaking. SIRPAC supported 44 bipartisan IR champions, with all but three winning their elections and returning to Congress. Thus, I am proud to share SIRPAC's annual report featuring key moments from 2024, and I look forward to building on these efforts in 2025.

SIRPAC will play a critical role as we enter the 119th Congress. The new Congress welcomes 10 new Senators and 63 new Members of the House of Representatives, with more to come as Members are appointed and confirmed to the Trump administration.

As an IR leader, we have an imperative to educate Members of Congress about federal policies that foster innovation, ensure fair payment practices from payers and appropriate reimbursement from Medicare, while advancing the best access and care for our patients. SIRPAC will be a key tool in helping us to build relationships with these new Members, educating them on policies that will benefit our patients and our practices, and developing the next generation of IR policy champions.

Looking further ahead, we are setting annual targets for SIRPAC to achieve growth with the goal of increasing our rank amongst peer physician PACs. We will be embarking on a comprehensive strategy to boost our voice and presence. We will focus on both increasing PAC contributions and growing corporate commitments through our new Advocacy Fund. With your support, we can ensure the voice of IR is represented in the policymaking process.

On behalf of the SIRPAC Board of Advisors, I would like to extend my gratitude to all who supported our efforts to advocate for positive change for IR and our patients. If you aren't already a SIRPAC or Advocacy Fund donor, there is no time like the present to become a supporter!

With gratitude,

*Robert Lewandowski*

Robert J. Lewandowski, MD, FSIR

President, SIR



# SIRPAC AT A GLANCE



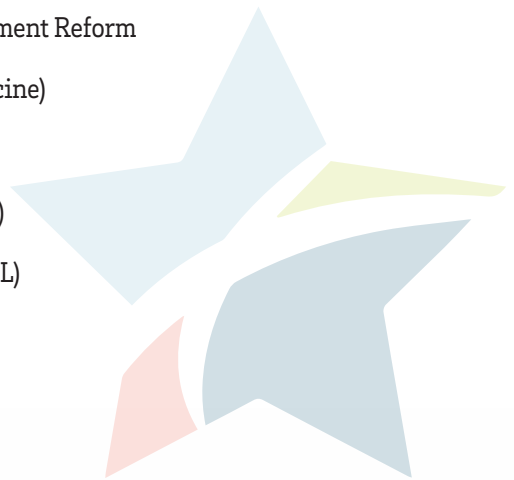
## Our SIRPAC unites us and is the most powerful tool we have to arm IR for legislative success.

SIRPAC opens doors and offers our members and staff unprecedented access to lawmakers both in DC and in the Congressional district. We invest heavily in candidates that support our pro-physician agenda and base our giving on a three-tiered system, weighted by members on committees of health jurisdiction, leadership, and issues of importance laid forth by our SIRPAC Board annually. SIRPAC is extremely disciplined in our giving which is based on causes relevant to our specialty.

## Why is it important for the Society of Interventional Radiology to have a PAC?

*Conversations about U.S. healthcare policy will occur whether we are in the room or not, and while it's cliché to say, our priority is to be at the table and not on the menu. The government decides:*

- **HOW** we're paid by Medicare Physician Fee Schedule & Medicare Payment Reform
- **HOW** we practice (private, employed, academic, government, telemedicine)
- **WHAT** we can do (scope, prior authorization)
- **WHO** we can treat (in network, out of network, Medicare beneficiaries)
- **WHAT** we can own (hospital, imaging, ambulatory surgery center, OBL)
- **HOW** we're insured (medical liability)
- **RESEARCH** dollars received



*Too much is at stake for IR to not be a part of these policy discussions. Sitting out is not an option. If we're not involved or at the table, someone else will tell our story—it could be another physician group, health insurer, or healthcare organization altogether. No one should be telling our story or speaking to our experiences except for us. Not only that, but it would be a disservice to our profession and our patients.*



# WHO DO WE SUPPORT?



Our political program allows us the opportunity to be heard and have our voices amplified. It lets us support our champions and share our message all at the same time, in tandem with traditional advocacy efforts on Capitol Hill and with regulators. While our government affairs staff meets and works with congressional staff, the face-to-face time with congressional members is crucial and even more effective when the message is delivered by interventional radiologists that live in their respective district or state.

## 2024 Members of Congress SIRPAC supported:

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# TWO WAYS TO STRENGTHEN OUR ADVOCACY EFFORTS



We encourage you to renew your personal support for SIRPAC in 2025. Your contributions directly aid congressional campaigns, supporting the election and re-election of key members of Congress.

Additionally, we introduced the SIR Advocacy Fund last year, which enables corporate donations to expand our advocacy capabilities. These contributions help us enhance our legislative and political presence at both the federal and state levels.

Together, these efforts empower us to champion the causes that matter most to our members and the communities we serve.

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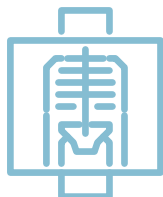
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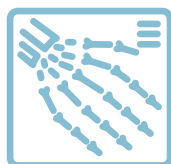
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In 2024, SIRPAC raised over \$62,000 from generous members' donations. The SIRPAC Board of Directors thanks the members who have donated to SIRPAC and doing their part to make the voice of interventional radiology heard on Capitol Hill!



### SIRPAC Membership Levels



**SUPPORTER:** \$100  
**LEADERSHIP TRUST:** \$500  
**FOUNDER'S CIRCLE:** \$1,000  
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involved!**

SIRPAC needs caring, engaged volunteers like you. Become a part of the Voices for IR, host a local fundraiser, or come to Washington, D.C., and meet with members of Congress and their staff. Contact [GovAffairs@sirweb.org](mailto:GovAffairs@sirweb.org) today and get involved.



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# SUPPORT THE FUTURE OF IR ADVOCACY

The SIR Advocacy Fund is a vital funding resource designed to support and expand critical advocacy initiatives that shape the future of IR at both the state and federal levels; unlike SIRPAC, which can only accept contributions from SIR members, the advocacy fund can accept support from non-members, IR office-based labs (OBL's) and private practices, and IR aligned corporate partners.

## Why contribute to the SIR Advocacy Fund?

Your contribution to the SIR Advocacy Fund will support these initiatives and others like them:

- **Establish state advocacy programs:** Create and deploy state-level advocacy efforts to pass legislation requiring private insurance to cover essential IR procedures.
- **Expand In-Person Legislative Activity:** Increase the frequency and participation in SIR's Congressional fly-in events, state capital visits, and state and regional advocacy events, ensuring IR voices are heard on Capitol Hill and beyond.
- **Enhance Advocacy tools:** Update and improve the advocacy tools used by SIR members, empowering more advocates with the tools they need to make a difference.

## Two Ways to Make a Lasting Impact: SIR Advocacy Fund vs. SIRPAC

|  | WHAT IS IT?   | WHO CAN CONTRIBUTE?   | HOW MUCH CAN THEY CONTRIBUTE?  | WHAT ARE THE RESTRICTIONS?  |
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| <b>SIR ADVOCACY FUND</b>                           | The SIR Advocacy Fund is a vital funding resource designed to support and expand critical advocacy initiatives that shape the future of IR. | Corporations, businesses, community-based practices (such as office-based labs), and individuals regardless of SIR membership.            | No limits on the amount you can contribute or the number of times you can give.                          | Advocacy Fund contributions CANNOT be used for supporting political campaigns.  |
| <b>SIRPAC<br/>(SIR POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE)</b> | SIRPAC allows SIR members to pool their contributions in support of the political campaigns of candidates who support IR activities.        | Only SIR members, their immediate family, who are U.S. citizens or SIR staff that are U.S. citizens or green card holders can contribute. | Contributions limited to \$5,000 per election cycle. Regulated by the Federal Election Commission (FEC). | 100% of SIRPAC donations are used for direct candidate campaign contributions; all contributions are reported to the FEC. |

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**SIRPAC** is a vital part of our advocacy strategy, while the SIR Advocacy Fund broadens our efforts, ensuring that IR continues to advance and thrive in a rapidly changing health care landscape.

### MAKE AN IMPACT TODAY

Your support is crucial. Please consider contributing to the SIR Advocacy Fund and help us continue to advocate for the future of IR.

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