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Government Affairs Committee

Welcome

For the year 2020, the American Chemical Society (ACS) has developed and issued 29 public policy statements in four broad areas: fostering innovation through research and technology, strengthening science education and the science workforce, advancing sustainability and the environment, and promoting science in the public policy arena. The most recent policy statement issued is on workforce-related immigration. For more detail, see the webpage on <u>ACS Positions on Policy Issues</u>.

We encourage all members to participate in the ACS Legislative Action Network (LAN). By joining the LAN you will be kept informed and be able to weigh in on high-priority issues that may impact the chemical enterprise. By joining the LAN you will have access to a suite of tools and programs that provide support to individual members, local sections, state committees, and other groups. It is an easy way to advocate for chemistry. To join the ACS LAN go to the <u>Act4Chemistry LAN webpage</u>.

We also encourage all members to follow their state, county and local government officials by signing up for their informational news emails. This will provide you with information on where they stand on policies of interest as well as provide a point of contact for communicating your chemistry related priorities with them. You can find contact information and details about your Federal legislators here.

Contact information and details about the Orange County legislative delegation can be found <u>here</u>.

If you have interests in the area of government policy as they relate to the chemical enterprise please reach out to us as we are always looking for new committee members, new ideas and activities to run.

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