



# ACS Grassroots Advocacy

## State Advocacy Representative Program

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In late 2002, the College began working with ACS State Chapter Presidents and Administrators to recruit individuals to serve in its new State Advocacy Representative (StAR) Program. Those selected as “StARs” will begin serving their chapter’s membership during the coming year -- working as the ACS point person to carry the College’s message to their state house. Another responsibility of these “StARs” will be to reach out to counterparts in their specialty societies and state medical associations who are performing the same service for their organizations.

These individuals will be the chapter’s “scout” for the Fellows in the state – providing the College with local “intel,” which will greatly assist the College’s Division of Advocacy and Health Policy in addressing issues of concern to surgeons at the state level. We encourage you to check out our current list of StAR Contacts to see who your “scout” at the state level is. For more information regarding the StAR Program, please contact Jon Sutton, State Affairs Associate, at [jsutton@facs.org](mailto:jsutton@facs.org).

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