



The Maryland State Medical Society

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**MEDCHI MEMBERS SERVE AS VOLUNTEER
“PHYSICIANS OF THE DAY” DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BALTIMORE, February 23, 2023 – MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, encourages its members to serve as a “Physician of the Day” program volunteer during the Maryland legislative session, which generally runs each year from January through mid-April. The Physician of the Day opportunity affords physicians a unique occasion to influence the landscape of the political debate at the State House. While providing care to the lawmakers of the General Assembly, the Physician of the Day gains insight into the actual procedures and personalities that shape the laws of our state. It also lets Delegates and Senators get to know physicians outside of testifying and meeting with them on bills.

The First Aid Room, located in the State House, is equipped with oxygen, a hospital bed, wheelchair, crutches, thermometers, stethoscope, and a blood pressure cuff. There are also a variety of over-the-counter medications provided including aspirin, cough and cold preparations, and antacids. A nurse is on the premises every day to assist the Physician of the Day, giving the physician more time to spend in the chambers observing the Senate and House.

A physician’s presence at the Capitol is symbolic evidence of MedChi’s concern for the health of all Marylanders. This volunteer program is made available to members as a public service funded by MedChi. A few remaining dates are still available to volunteer for one day at the State Capitol during the 2023 state legislative session; interested members should click [here](#) for more information.

About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. It is the largest physician organization in Maryland. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland’s foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit www.medchi.org.