**PACHC Legislative Committee Charge**

**Committee Chair: Bridgette McGivern, Community Health & Dental Care, Inc.**

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***Mission:*** *To advance PACHC’s legislative and policy agenda with public officials at both the national and state level.*

**Objectives:**

* Monitor legislation and regulatory policy of importance to health centers at both the national and state levels and its impact on health centers
* Participate in and encourage grassroots advocacy activities by PACHC members, their staff and patients
* Recommend legislation and policy priorities that would benefit health centers in Pennsylvania
* Guide PACHC in improving membership participation in PACHC- and NACHC-sponsored advocacy activities
* With the advice of PACHC’s contract lobbyist, provide guidance to PACHC on advocacy strategy and priorities.

**Specific Projects:**

* Support PACHC in encouraging Pennsylvania Community Health Center -hosted events and legislative visits during NACHC Health Center Week
* **Provide guidance to PACHC on improving participation in** NACHC’s Policy and Issues Forum and legislative visits
* Assist in the planning of PACHC’s Legislative Day and encourage health centers to participate in the activity