Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 38 other medical and mental health organizations, in support of the implementation of the Pediatric Subspecialty Loan Repayment Program. Sent to HRSA Administrator Johnson, dated March 5, 2024.

AACAP* Statement on how integrating mental and behavioral health care in primary care can improve health care efficiency. Sent to Senate Committee on Budget Chairman Whitehouse and Ranking Member Grassley, dated March 4, 2024.

Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 51 other medical and mental health organizations, strongly supporting the Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act (HR 6205 and S 3211). Sent to Congressmen Schneider, Bacon, Caraveo, and Cole, and Senators Durbin and Cramer, dated February 27, 2024.

AACAP Comment Letter responding to a RFI Regarding Mental Health and Substance Use Needs in Higher Education. Sent to Department of Education Assistant Secretary Paydar, dated February 26, 2024.

Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 48 other medical and mental health organizations, urging the inclusion of the bipartisan Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences Act (PACE) in the reauthorization of the Substance Use Disorder Prevention That Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT). Sent to Senate Committee on Health Education Labor and Pensions Chair Sanders and Ranking Member Cassidy, and House Committee on Energy and Commerce Chairwoman McMorris Rogers and Ranking Member Pallone, dated February 22, 2024.

Mental Health Liaison Group Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 48 other medical and mental health organizations, urging the reauthorization of the Substance Use Disorder Prevention That Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act). Sent to Senate Committee on Health Education Labor and Pensions Chair Sanders and Ranking Member Cassidy, and House Committee on Energy and Commerce Chairwoman McMorris Rogers and Ranking Member Pallone, dated February 9, 2024.
Mental Health Liaison Group Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 41 other medical and mental health organizations, urging inclusion of the bipartisan Kid Providing Resources for Optimal Outcomes Against Fatalities Act (Kid PROOF Act) in the final reauthorization of the SUPPORT Act. Sent to Senate Committee on Health Education Labor and Pensions Chair Sanders and Ranking Member Cassidy, and House Committee on Energy and Commerce Chairwoman McMorris Rogers and Ranking Member Pallone, dated February 8, 2024.

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Coalition Sign-On Letter with AACAP and 32 other medical and mental health organizations, urging passing of legislation addressing the youth mental health crisis. Sent to House Speaker Johnson and Minority Leader Jeffries, and Senate Majority Leader Schumer and Minority Leader McConnell, dated February 8, 2024.

Joint ITRC Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 159 other medical and mental health organizations, urging Congress to enact the bi-partisan Community Mental Wellness and Resilience Act (HR 3073 and S 1452). Sent to Senate Majority Leader Schumer and Minority Leader McConnell, and House Speaker Johnson and Minority Leader Jeffries, dated February 6, 2024.

Joint Amicus Brief submitted to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals with professional medical, mental health, child welfare and immigrant rights organizations in Texas v. U.S., MALDEF, and New Jersey. The case is appealing a district court decision that found Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) likely unconstitutional. The brief expressed support for DACA and highlights the possible trauma and toxic stress exposures, among other negative impacts to the children of DACA recipients should DACA get overturned. Amicus brief was submitted February 1, 2024.

Joint Medical Society Amicus Brief submitted to the Third District Appeals Court of Texas with 24 professional medical and mental health organizations expressing support for gender affirming care in Masters v. PFLAG. The brief requests the court to affirm the District Court’s temporary injunction. The PFLAG case is challenging the February 2022 Texas Attorney General opinion incorrectly concluding that certain evidence-based medical treatments that are critical for many adolescents with gender dysphoria constitute child abuse. Amicus brief was submitted January 25, 2024.

Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP and 128 medical and mental health organizations, urging legislation to reverse the 3.37 percent Medicare physician payments cuts that recently took effect. Sent to House Speaker Johnson and Minority Leader Jeffries, and Senate Majority Leader Schumer and Republican Leader McConnell, dated January 17, 2024.

Joint Sign-On Letter with AACAP* and 109 medical and mental health organizations, opposing the Medicare Audiology Access Improvement Act (H.R. 6445). Sent to House Committee on Energy and Commerce Chair McMorris Rodgers and Ranking Member Pallone, and House
Committee on Ways and Means Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Neal, dated January 9, 2024.

Joint Medical Society Amicus Brief submitted to the Texas Supreme Court with 21 professional medical and mental health organizations expressing support for gender affirming care and the plaintiffs in *Lazaro Loe v State of Texas*. The brief requests the court to affirm the trial court’s temporary injunction. The Loe case is challenging Texas state law (SB 14) which prohibits best practice care for transgender youth, which was signed into law in July 2023. Amicus brief was submitted January 5, 2024.