

Handy Guide

For your advocacy efforts

Do This

You can be an advocate for your hospital by:



Connecting with legislators and government officials to keep them up to speed on what is happening in your hospital



Inviting legislators to visit your hospital



Voting at a public board meeting to express support or opposition for legislative proposals



Educating legislators about the impact bills would have on your hospital



Attending WSHA's advocacy events, including Hospital Advocacy Day in Olympia and Rural Advocacy Days in D.C.



Lobbying legislators on issues that impact your hospital once they are under consideration by the Legislature



Tracking and reporting hours spent lobbying.

Don't Do This

Be sure to avoid the following:



Do not use any hospital resources to support an individual candidate's campaign



Do not use any hospital funds for campaign contributions



Do not use public funds to pay for candidates or elected officials meals, travel expenses.



Do not use any public funds for gifts for any candidates or elected officials

