



TCA PAC

TOP 10 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What is a PAC and what does it do?

A Political Action Committee (PAC) is an organization established to raise, manage, and spend money in support of candidates, legislation, or political initiatives that align with its mission. PACs play a crucial role in the political process by enabling groups to collectively advocate for policies that benefit their industries or communities. The TCA PAC, for instance, focuses on electing pro-chiropractic candidates to the Tennessee State House and Senate.

2. How Does the TCA PAC Operate in Tennessee?

Mission Focus:

The TCA PAC is dedicated to advancing the interests of the chiropractic community by supporting candidates who understand and advocate for our unique needs in the legislative arena. It is the only PAC in Tennessee that exclusively protects and promotes pro-chiropractic policies.

Scope of Contribution:

- **Legislative Focus:** The TCA PAC concentrates solely on state-level elections (Tennessee General Assembly) and does not fund local (city/county) or national races.
- **Fund Usage:** Contributions are strictly used to support activities allowed by Tennessee law, covering essential expenses such as banking fees, credit card processing, and other operational costs. All transaction reports are posted publicly.

3. Who Can Contribute to a PAC, Including the TCA PAC?

General Eligibility:

- **Individuals:** Any U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident (green card holder) may contribute.
- **Corporations:** Eligible corporations are also permitted to donate.

State-Specific Rules:

- **Reporting:** In Tennessee, PACs must file reports listing contributions over \$100 per reporting period.
- **Contribution Method:** Donations exceeding \$50 must be submitted by check or another written instrument to comply with state law.

4. Are There Limits on How Much I Can Contribute?

While there are no federal limits on PAC contributions from individuals and eligible entities, state laws do impose specific reporting and transaction methods. For example, contributions over \$50 must be documented in writing, and detailed records of contributions exceeding \$100 must be publicly reported in Tennessee.

5. Is the TCA PAC Partisan?

The TCA PAC is non-partisan. Its support is based solely on a candidate's willingness to champion chiropractic issues, not on party affiliation. This means that both Democrats and Republicans who align with our mission are considered for support based on merit and commitment to the chiropractic community.

6. What Other Purposes Do PAC Funds Serve Besides Campaign Contributions?

Operational Costs:

In addition to supporting campaign efforts, PAC funds in Tennessee are used to cover mandatory operational expenses, including:

- Banking fees
- Credit card processing fees
- Necessary supplies for maintaining the PAC's activities

State law strictly limits how PAC funds can be used, ensuring that all expenditures are directly related to supporting the PAC's mission.





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7. How Are Decisions Made on Which Candidates to Support?

Selection Criteria Include:

- **Record of Support:** The candidate's history in supporting chiropractic issues.
- **Understanding of Chiropractic Concerns:** Whether the candidate demonstrates a clear understanding of the unique needs of the chiropractic community.
- **Advocacy Willingness:** Their readiness to actively champion chiropractic-related legislation.
- **Leadership and Strategic Positioning:** Consideration of committee memberships or leadership roles within the legislature, which can amplify their effectiveness.

These criteria help ensure that the PAC's funds are directed toward candidates who can make a tangible impact on the profession.

8. Are My Donations Tax Deductible?

Tax Considerations:

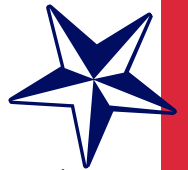
Contributions to PACs, including the TCA PAC, are not tax deductible as charitable donations. However, they may be deductible as business expenses. It is advisable to consult with your accountant or tax professional for guidance on how to report these contributions appropriately.

9. How Can I Find Out Which Legislators Have Received Support from the TCA PAC?

The TCA PAC is required to file periodic campaign financial disclosure statements with the Tennessee Registry of Election Finance. These reports are public records and can be viewed by visiting:

<https://apps.tn.gov/tncamp/public/repsearch.htm>

Simply search for "TENNESSEE CHIROPRACTIC ASSN PAC" to access the relevant reports.



10. Why Is Engaging with the TCA PAC Important for the Chiropractic Profession?

- **Representation:** The TCA PAC is the only PAC in Tennessee dedicated solely to electing pro-chiropractic candidates, ensuring that our interests are represented in the legislative process.
- **Advocacy:** By supporting candidates who understand our unique challenges and needs, the PAC helps shape policies that directly impact the chiropractic community.
- **Influence:** Collective contributions amplify the voice of the chiropractic profession, enabling us to drive legislative changes that support and grow our industry.
- **Community Involvement:** Participation in the PAC not only contributes to stronger legislative advocacy but also fosters a sense of community among chiropractic professionals who are committed to advancing our shared interests.

Engaging in the political advocacy process through PAC contributions is a powerful way for chiropractic professionals to influence public policy. By supporting the TCA PAC, you help ensure that legislative decisions reflect the needs of the chiropractic community and promote a healthier, more informed public.



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