

LEAD ADVOCATE

Volunteer Description



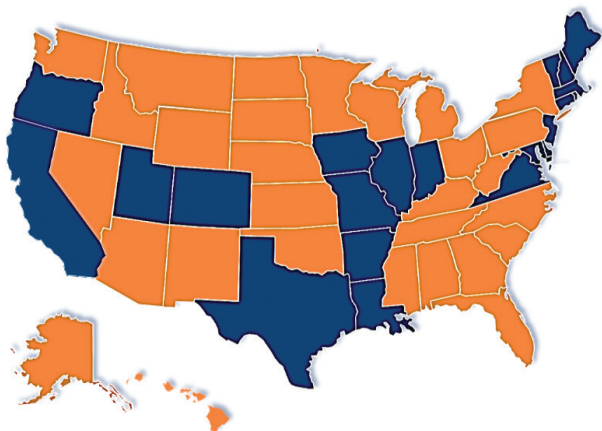
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The Amputee Coalition is looking for individuals to lead the advocacy efforts in all 50 states. Potential lead advocates will work in conjunction with the Amputee Coalition's Government Relations Department to develop and implement a campaign enacting Insurance Fairness for Amputees legislation and other legislative initiatives. All legislative initiatives are coordinated through the Coalition, with reliance on volunteers at the local level to advance the campaign. The Coalition is here to provide the lead advocates with training, written materials, preparation for hearings, and more.

There are multiple levels of advocates and opportunities for anyone who wants to participate. The Lead Advocate Program is a commitment with longevity, as we advance legislative priorities impacting the community.

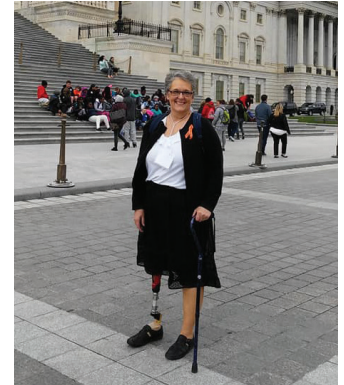
Lead Advocates should:

- Be passionate about making a difference in the limb loss community
- Be willing to lead advocacy efforts that positively affect the limb loss community
- Be knowledgeable of or willing to learn about issues affecting the limb loss community
- Have a general understanding of the state legislative process
- Be willing and able to share their story.



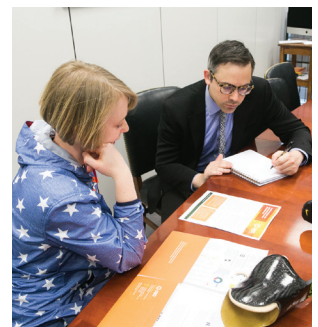
Lead Advocates will be asked to:

- Serve as the point of contact for advocacy efforts in their home state and assist with neighboring states as needed.
- Act as the face of the state organization when necessary
- Convey how specific legislation or issues affect the limb loss community
- Mobilize other advocates and members of the limb loss community as needed
- Represent the Amputee Coalition before state elected officials
- Engage in organizing and supporting advocacy events, including awareness days at the state legislature and attending Hill Day during Limb Loss Awareness Month.



Lead Advocate training will consist of:

- Attending either an in-person or online training
- Completing three categories of training:
 - » Community Advocate: who we are and who we represent
 - » Policy Advocate: the issues we work on and how we work on them
 - » Media Advocate: how we convey our message in public.



Lead Advocate time commitment will be:

- One hour a month to a few hours a week, depending on current state and federal initiatives.

If you are interested in becoming a lead advocate, or being involved with grassroots advocacy in your state, contact Jeremy Haines at 703.330.1699, ext. 7104 or at amplify@amputee-coalition.org.