



Maine Optometric Association
Board of Directors
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Dear Colleague,

As an optometrist practicing in Maine, you are undoubtedly aware of the significant evolution within our profession and the ongoing importance of advocating for ourselves, our patients, and the future of optometry. The Maine Optometric Association is invoicing \$1,000 per member to support our legislative initiatives through the Forward Focus campaign, with particular emphasis on LD 1803, which seeks to modernize the practice of optometry in Maine as we continue our efforts into 2025 and 2026.

Let's be clear: the privileges we now take for granted like dilating patients, prescribing antibiotics or steroids, ordering labs, dispensing contact lenses from your office, using atropine for myopia control, treating ocular surface disease with therapies like Restasis, Xiidra, Xdemvy, or Miebo, did not come without a fight. They are the direct result of optometrists before us stepping up, showing up, and contributing to legislative efforts just like these.

Now, it's your turn.

It takes a village to move our profession forward, not just 5% of members carrying the burden for the rest. If you're seeing patients every day, if you're prescribing, diagnosing, and treating, you are benefiting from the groundwork laid by those who came before us. Continued progress isn't guaranteed. It requires commitment from each of us and not just in words, *but in action*.

We recognize that any contribution is an investment. But as a practicing optometrist in Maine, the reality is that you are likely to earn a good living, and this contribution ensures that you continue to practice at the highest level of care and scope. If needed, you may pay \$1,000 in installments. If possible, please also consider increasing your contribution from \$1,000 to Champion level of \$3000. Please reach out to Caroline to set that up. Payment can be made via Venmo, check, or credit card see below.

We ask that you invest in your profession the same way you invest in your patients every day with commitment, care, and confidence in the future.

With appreciation,
MOA Board of Directors & Scope Committee

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