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Richard Deem is the senior vice president of the American Medical Association (AMA) advocacy group. In this capacity, he directs the AMA's federal, state, and private sector advocacy efforts, as well as the organization's health policy functions.

The AMA's advocacy team includes a political staff that manages physician grassroots activists and a network of patient-activists that total more than 1.2 million voters and they also serve AMPAC, the AMA's political action committee, which is rated as one of the most effective political action committees in the country.

Deem has served in numerous capacities in his 25-year career at the AMA. Prior to joining the AMA, he served as a special assistant to former Health and Human Services Secretary Richard S. Schweiker and worked in Sec. Schweiker's Senate office for five years.

He is a graduate of American University.