

## **Determination and Distribution of Contributions to Political Candidates**

Your CAL-PT-PAC makes every effort to maximize the impact of every dollar donated. Listed below is the general criteria used to determine who will get a contribution from the CAL-PT-PAC. Working as a team with the Government Affairs Committee, Chapter Board, Chapter consultants and our Chapter lobbyists, the CAL-PT-PAC Board of Trustees is able to determine the best time and place to make those face-to-face contributions to Legislators.

### Criteria for Contributions to Incumbents

1. Is the Legislator part of the state legislative leadership?
2. Does the Legislator sit on a committee or subcommittee that will review legislation affecting physical therapy?
3. Is the Legislator a member of the majority party?
4. Does the Legislator have a Key Contact assigned to him/her?
5. Does staff (or a member of the CPTA) have a personal relationship with the Legislator or the Legislator's staff?
6. Has the Legislator supported CPTA's position on a recent key issue?

### Criteria for Contributions to Non-Incumbents

1. What is the candidate's position regarding health care reform with respect to physical therapy? What is his/her record?
2. What experience does the candidate have with physical therapy?
3. What is the likelihood of the candidate being elected?
4. What contact has the CPTA/CAL-PT-PAC had with the candidate?
5. Who is the candidate's opponent?
6. How does the candidate's opponent rate on the above questions?