ACPM NAM Climate Network Commitment Statement

The American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM) is a professional medical society representing more than 2,000 preventive medicine physicians dedicated to improving the health and quality of life of individuals, families, communities, and populations through disease prevention and health promotion.

ACPM was founded in 1954 to create a professional home for the growing number of board-certified experts in preventive medicine and was chartered as a nonprofit organization in 1956.

ACPM provides a dynamic forum for the exchange of knowledge and practice advancement for preventive medicine specialists. We offer high-quality continuing medical education, resources for ongoing professional development, networking opportunities, and advocate for the important role of preventive medicine in our healthcare system.

The College recognizes climate change as a threat to human health. Therefore, ACPM advocates for public health engagement and action on climate change including adoption and implementation of effective mitigation and adaptation measures.

In addition to advocacy for policy and legislative action to mitigate climate change, ACPM works to educate member physicians on the impact of climate change and public health strategies to prevent negative impacts on human health.

Through the combined efforts to advocate for action on climate change in governmental policy and provide ACPM members with the knowledge and tools to act on climate as an influence on health, we can both help prevent further degradation of our environment and prepare physicians to prevent the negative impacts of climate change on human health.