



24th Annual State Directors Conference & 9th Annual Healthcare Summit



BIG NEWS!!!!

Amy Walter, the National Editor of the Cook Political Report, will be joining us at our upcoming State Directors Conference in DC on October 3rd. You've seen her on NBC's Meet the Press, Fox News' Special Report with Bret Baier, CBS' Face the Nation, and the PBS News Hour. Secure your spot today so that you can be in the room with Amy as she gives us her expert analysis on all things politics!

REGISTER

#WIGDistrict2District

Legislator Registration Fees:

\$30 for one conference

\$50 for both conferences

**All other attendees please contact Laura Blake at lblake@womeningovernment.org for conference support and all registration options.

COURAGE TO RUN

Women In Government is excited to be a "Champ" for the **#Couragetorun5K** on September 16th!

Courage to Run is the nations first non-partisan run/walk that celebrates the rising wave of women getting civically active and running for office.

As a "Champ" organization WIG will receive donations based on registration for our Future Women In Government Program!

[Register Today to "Run" Virtually or in Washington, DC and Support WIG!](#)

COURAGE TO RUN

Sunday, September 16, 2018
Washington, DC + Anytown, USA
couragetorun.org

Celebrating Our 30th "Pearl" Anniversary



PEARLS OF WIGDOM

State Rep. Amber Mariano (R-FL)

"Well-behaved women seldom make history." ~*Laurel Thatcher Ulrich*



**WOMEN'S
Equality
Day**

WOMENS EQUALITY DAY

August 26, 2018 marks the 98th anniversary of a woman's right to vote! Join us in celebrating the **anniversary of the 19th amendment**, celebrating the women who worked so hard to get us here and the women working to bring us even further forward. 2018 has seen a record number of women running for elective office!

[Learn More](#)



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NEW WIG SESSION SNAPSHOT: FAMILY LEAVE

According to a June 2018 Issue Brief from the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, "employers have expressed a wide variety of opinions on paid family and medical leave." It concludes however, "that in states where paid family leave and medical leave is in place, most employers are able to adjust to the program without undue burden on their businesses."

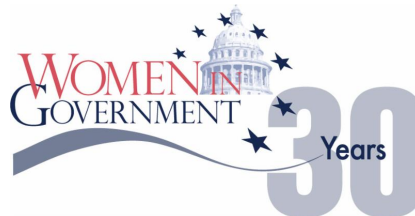
States can take many approaches to family leave and WIG summarizes them and the states that implement them in a new Session Snapshot. The two basic approaches are: the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Paid Family Leave (PFL).

[Check out the Session Snapshot](#)

POST-CONFERENCE CANNABIS POLICY CONSULT

If you missed our cannabis discussion in San Francisco, fear not! We held a conference call with former State Senator/Past WIG Board Member and current Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commissioner, Jen Flanagan to delve deeper into this burgeoning trend.

[Materials](#), including a transcript, from the call can be found on our website!



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