

SANDIE PREISS

Sandie Preiss is president of Apogee Consulting Strategies and is a highly accomplished, results oriented patient advocacy, health policy and government affairs expert. She is well versed in minority healthcare, renal failure, cardiovascular disease, mental health, urology, HIV, rheumatoid arthritis, women's health, diabetes as well as biologics/biosimilars and medical devices.

Through 2017, Ms. Preiss oversaw the government relations and patient advocacy operations at the arthritis foundation as the national vice president of advocacy & access. Ms. Preiss was the first patient advocate to testify about the needs of patients before ICER, an insurance sponsored organization evaluating the cost and benefit of patient treatments. Her work resulted in nationwide policy changes that increased access to care for patients.

Prior to her work at the Arthritis Foundation, she was the head of the Washington Office for the American Urological Association, a specialty medicine society.

In addition, Ms. Preiss has 18 years of experience with Abbott Laboratories in health policy, state and federal government relations. Her background includes work on issues related to pharmaceuticals, medical devices, medical foods and diabetes products.

Ms. Preiss, began her career as Rhode Islands' first female lobbyist for the state's business community. She received a master's degree in public administration from the University of Rhode Island and a BA in government from Suffolk University.