Top 10 Ways to Achieve Success as a Spokesperson Volunteer

1. Know Your Role!
Review the Role of the Spokesperson Volunteer document and get your boots on the ground!

2. Shadow Former Spokesperson Volunteers
Ask questions, set goals and be creative on ways to best serve your ANFP Chapter as you lead in this role. View the directory by state here.

3. Network with Other Industry Professionals
Get to know your ANFP Government Affairs committee and learn the new ways they are promoting the Safe Food for Seniors Initiatives.

4. Act in Your State
Locate and contact your state Governor by sending the customized sample letter to secure support of the new CMS requirements for states and long-term care facilities. Find your governor here.

5. Showcase Your Achievements
Apply for the State Achievement award, including the Government Affairs award, for your chance to be recognized for your state’s accomplishments and excellence in chapter leadership. Learn how to access the Chapter Portal and awards application here.

6. Utilize Available Resources
Check out the newly-designed Government Affairs section of the ANFP website. This page now hosts all the advocacy information, CMS regulations updates, and staffing regulation details.

7. Support ANFP-PAC
Show your support of ANFP’s legislative initiatives by donating to the ANFP-PAC. Donate now and join the GrassROOTS campaign.

8. Be a Resource on ANFPConnect
Share your state’s legislative efforts in the ANFPConnect community. Post ideas, ask questions, and share the revamped toolkit to increase awareness of your state’s efforts and provide resources to individuals from other states.

9. Get Social
“Like” the Safe Food for Seniors Initiatives page on Facebook. Share photos, write on our wall, and show off your ANFP chapter’s involvement in the Safe Food for Seniors Initiatives.

10. Contact ANFP Staff
Contact your Government Affairs liaison, Mindy Theesfeld, at mtheesfeld@ANFPonline.org or call (800) 323-1908 x128.

Being the spokesperson is not a “sprint” to the finish; it is a marathon. Drive and determination will help promote CDMs in your state!