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Make America Healthy Again: How Society members can have a voice

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On August 18, the administration launched a new [website](#) to track progress being made to address these specific issues. Given the growing interest in MAHA, ASA, CSSA, and SSSA are seeking members to join a working group to discuss policy recommendations and potential engagement on these issues. Please email [Luther Smith](#) if you'd like to serve on the working group.

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