

Mock meetings

- Forms pairs – 2 pairs will work together
- You have a 10-minute meeting with your Member of Congress and a staff member
- What are your key messages?
- Remember to tell a story
- Thank you's as appropriate
- Follow up

Breastfeeding Promotion Act

- Nondiscrimination under the Civil Rights Act
- Employer tax credit for breastfeeding expenses, 50% of costs up to \$10K
- HHS performance standard for breast pumps
- Allowance of breastpumps and supplies under Flexible Spending Accounts
- **Privacy for breastfeeding mothers**
 - Break time to pump until child turns 1
 - Private location (not bathroom)

Conclusions

- Think about advocacy with policymakers broadly – don't restrict yourself needlessly
- You can make a difference!
 - Contact the AAP Division of State Government Affairs at 800.433.9016 or at stgov@aap.org to get connected with the advocacy site: <http://www.aap.org/advocacy.html>
- AAP Policy website: <http://aappolicy.aappublications.org/>
