American College of Emergency Physicians®

BOARDING
A NATIONAL CRISIS

2022

ACEP SOUNDS THE ALARM
ACEP collects hundreds of stories from emergency physicians impacted by the boarding crisis.

2023

ACEP WRITES THE WHITE HOUSE
ACEP advocates for the Administration to create a Task Force on ED Boarding.

LAC 2023 MAKES BOARDING THE PRIORITY
ACEP members meet with legislators to urge them to sign on to a bipartisan letter to HHS requesting to establish a boarding task force.

2024

ACEP LEADS THE FIRST SUMMIT
ACEP convenes health care stakeholders to discuss solutions to the crisis in the first of its kind National Summit on the Boarding Crisis.

ACEP CHAPTERS DRIVE PROGRESS IN THE STATES
CCEP advocacy leads to law requiring hospitals to report boarding metrics and creates a public boarding dashboard.

ACEP ADVANCES PHYSICIAN-LED POLICY SOLUTIONS
ACEP-developed Age-Friendly Hospital Measure includes boarding data reporting requirements.

AHRQ SUMMIT ON BOARDING
During LAC 2023, ACEP secured a bipartisan congressional letter requesting that HHS convene a boarding task force. HHS responded, charging AHRQ with convening the first national summit on boarding - ACEP advocacy made it possible.

2025

ABC-ED ACT IS INTRODUCED
ACEP-developed legislation, based on work and findings from ACEP's boarding summit, enhances hospital bed tracking and capacity management.

DRIVING SYSTEM LEVEL SOLUTIONS
CMS finalized the new Emergency Care Access and Timeliness Measure to ensure boarding times are accurately tracked and reported.

BUILT ON RESULTS