Our efforts in public policy took center stage in 2014-15 as we saw an unprecedented increase in the number of states considering physician-assisted suicide legislation. We mobilized opposition to physician-assisted suicide in all 27 states where it was being considered. This is just the beginning as we are already seeing other countries not only approve physician-assisted suicide, but even euthanasia.

In a scientific survey of faith-based medical professionals, 95 percent of physicians agreed, “I would rather stop practicing medicine altogether than be forced to violate my conscience.” In our own informal survey of CMDA members, 42 percent of those responding said they have been pressured to compromise their ethical beliefs.

While much of the news regarding Christians in healthcare seems dark, we continue to meet with key leaders and policy makers on a wide range of subjects important to our members. The protection of innocent life, human trafficking, traditional marriage and right of conscience are just a few examples.

Working with partners such as Alliance Defending Freedom, Christian Legal Society, Americans United for Life, Family Research Council and others, we are your voice in a culture that is becoming increasingly hostile to traditional values and ethics rooted in absolute truth.

“Excellent [information on assisted suicide]. I will certainly be using this information. Let’s collaborate to bring more awareness of the pro-assisted suicide lobby in the U.S. and showing how euthanasia has affected other countries.”

—Director, Center for Human Dignity, Family Research Council

“\ I wanted to let you know that I was able to contact my three local representatives and voice my concerns on the physician-assisted suicide bill. I have never done anything like this before. But, as a physician and listening to Dr. Stevens talk the other night, I was convicted to take action. The process was easy! It took me less than five minutes.”

—CMDA Physician Member

6,267 MESSAGES sent to policy makers and constituents through the Legislative Action Center

Dr. David Stevens with Vice President for Government Relations Jonathan Imbody after testifying before Congress in Washington, D.C.