PIJAC is the legislative and regulatory voice of the pet care community—and much more.

Here is just some of what we did to educate and advocate for improved pet health, care and access in 2019.

Hosted the Pet Care Community DC Fly-In, bringing the pet care community to federal lawmakers to advocate for the benefits of pets with veterans, in schools, and on human health overall.

With co-sponsors U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, revitalized the Habitattitude™ public education campaign on pet selection and non-native species environmental risks.

Developed and circulated for public comment a draft Environmental Impact Statement providing data and science supporting renewed issuing of Hawaiian aquarium fishing licenses.

Communicated the negative impacts of Chinese tariffs on the pet care community to U.S. trade officials and media, and informed and supported those seeking exclusions.

As part of the U.S. government’s AMR Challenge, partnered with pet, veterinary and public health experts to create recommendations for antibiotic stewardship and combatting antimicrobial resistance in companion animals.

Spearheaded with international partners outreach to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species with concerns over lack of focus on pet species and the proposed marine ornamental species study scope.

Introduced a Pet Store Pro education chapter on zoonotic disease prevention, partnering with the Pet Industry Distributors Association to help protect human and animal health by improving animal care practices.

Teamed with Pet Partners to host the first Meet the Pets on Capitol Hill, educating Members of Congress and staffers about the value of pets and animal interactions.

Tracked over 1,500 local, state and federal legislative and regulatory actions on pet issues such as abuse registries, sale bans and ownership restrictions.

Join PIJAC today as we work to protect and advance the priorities of the responsible pet care community.

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