## **Mock Hearings: SAMPLE TOPICS**

1. NYS: Nurse Practitioner Modernization Act

This law was passed in New York State in 2014. It's 2021, the year the Act will sunset. The New York State Medical Society is lobbying for it to die. Hearings are being held on whether to renew the law as is, revise it in any way, or revert back to the law governing nurse practitioners prior to passage of the NPMA.

2. NYC: Supersize Sodas (Sugary Drinks)

The NYS Court of Appeals ruled this past summer that the NYSC Board of Health overstepped its authority in banning supersized sodas. The NYC Council is holding hearings to consider passing a resolution granting the board of health the authority to create this ban, as well as to legislate the ban.

- 3. U.S.: Home Health Care Planning Improvement Act (H.R.2504/S.1332)

  This bill includes allowing advanced practice nurses to refer Medicare beneficiaries to home care and hospice. Hearings are being held by the House Ways and Means Committee.
- 4. U.S.: Protect Women's Health from Corporate Interference Act (H.R. 5051)

  This bill was introduced after the Supreme Court decision on Hobby Lobby. The House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Health is holding hearings on this bill.
- 5. U.S.: State Health Care Choice Act (H.R.3607)
  This bill was introduced and is before the House Ways and Means Committee. The Committee is holding hearings on the bill.
- 6. NYS: Community Housing Waiting List (S5228A/A7721A-2013)

  This bill would authorize the NYS Office of Mental Health to establish a waiting list for community housing .offered by the OHM. Hearings are being held by the Senate Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities.