Advocacy Efforts

- **Treat and Reduce Obesity Act**: Federal advocacy coverage of intensive behavioral counseling provided in a non-primary care setting and Part D weight loss drugs.

- Working with the **Obesity Care Advocacy Network** to change how the nation perceives and approaches obesity by educating and advocating for public policies and increased funding for obesity education, research, treatment and care.

- OCAN held briefings at the Democratic and Republican conventions to education policymakers about stigma and bias.
Global burden of Obesity

GLOBALLY
3.4 million

- 37% Percentage of the world’s adult population that is overweight or obese
- 0 Number of countries succeeding in decreasing obesity in last 33 years
- 14% Percentage of overweight or obese children and adolescents worldwide
- 62% Percentage of the world’s obese living in developing countries

Obesity and overweight increased 27.5% in adults and 47.1% in children since 1980

Deaths caused by overweight and obesity

DATA PUBLISHED IN THE LANCET 2014.
Sister endocrine organizations

• The **ENDOCRINE Society** and its partner endocrinology organizations: International Society of Endocrinology (ISE), European Society of Endocrinology (ESE), in cooperation with the Chinese Society of Endocrinology, held the 1st Joint Global Symposium on Obesity, September, 2016.

• Collectively, tasked to tackle the burden of obesity through:
  - Advocacy,
  - Resource Mobilization
  - Capacity building
  - Collaborative research
Societies and membership

- ES founded in 1916 has 18,000 members in 122 countries
- ISE founded in 1960 has over 70 national societies representing > 50,000 endocrinologists worldwide
- ESE founded in 2006 has 3,500 individual members and 58 affiliates societies representing 25,000 endocrinologists worldwide
• This collaborative session offered a global perspective on the latest in obesity research featuring national, regional and international thought leaders

• First in a tripartite series of global symposia on key areas of endocrinology