 Through its Under the Dome initiative, CSG’s Midwestern Legislative Conference has brought customized, in-state training to legislators across the region. This work will continue in 2024.

Would you like to partner with CSG Midwest on programming to benefit your legislature, its members and legislative staff?

If so, here is how Under the Dome works.

SELECT A TOPIC

Since the launch of Under the Dome, CSG Midwest staff has partnered with legislators on a mix of programming, either focused on a specific public policy or in an area of professional development.

The idea for an Under the Dome workshop comes from legislators in each state; CSG Midwest then develops and delivers the programming.

In the area of professional development, for example, workshop topics have included civil discourse, legislative oversight, ethics and civility, negotiation skills and conflict resolution.

Among the in-state policy sessions: options for states on mental health policy, Great Lakes protection, state budgets and economies, criminal justice reform, strategies to promote entrepreneurism, and building in-state health workforces.

CSG’s Under the Dome project is a great opportunity to bring policy experts to your state.”
— Representative Robyn Gabel, Illinois

CSG’s Under the Dome program helps legislators navigate an increasingly complex policymaking environment.”
— Senator Ed Charboneau, Indiana

ENSURE BIPARTISAN BUY-IN

CSG’s Midwestern Legislative Conference is a nonpartisan, binational group of all legislators from 11 Midwestern states and the province of Saskatchewan. The provinces of Alberta, Manitoba and Ontario are affiliate members of the MLC.

Members and affiliate members typically initiate an Under the Dome workshop.

Reflecting the MLC’s nonpartisan organizational structure and commitment, Under the Dome programming must get the bipartisan support of a state’s legislative leaders before it is brought to the capitol. (In many cases, too, the ideas for programming come from the leaders themselves.)

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