

# BUILD RESIDENT POWER — JOIN COPE!



**Medicine is already political.** Our Committee on Political Education (COPE) allows resident physicians to have a voice and get involved so we can:

- ✓ Win strong contracts
- ✓ Influence local policy
- ✓ Advocate for the issues that are important to us and our patients



COPE is our member-run committee that sets and implements the political priorities for the region, as well as oversees our Political Action Committee (PAC) to contribute to candidates, campaigns, and organizations that share our values.

## In Vermont, CIR residents and fellows are:

- winning the support of politicians like Senator Bernie Sanders for our ultimately successful union and contract organizing campaigns (2022-23)
- fighting for paid family & medical leave statewide (2023-24)
- joining efforts to advocate for universal health care in VT (2023-24)
- endorsing labor champions like Emma Mulvaney-Stanak for Burlington Mayor (2023-24)