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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name <u>American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy</u>			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported <u>1133 15th Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005-2710</u>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name <u>David M. Bergman</u>	Telephone <u>(202) 467-5105</u>	E-mail (optional) <u>dbergman@aamft.org</u>	5. Senate ID #
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self			6. House ID #

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Activity

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small>	EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ <u>25,000.00</u> <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small>
Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).	14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options. <input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____

Printed Name and Title John Ambrose-Director of Legal & Governmental Affairs

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Registrant Name Family Therapy Client Name Self

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15. General issue area code ALC (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

- Dept. of Labor/Dept. of Health & Human Services Appropriations Legislation All provisions relating to the Center for Substance Abuse and Prevention.
- S. 976, Youth Drug and Mental Health Services Act, All provisions relating to substance abuse and mental health treatment services.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

- House
- Senate
- Department of Health and Human Services

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
David M. Bergman	Government Affairs Manager

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

Signature John Ambrose Date 12-20-00
Printed Name and Title John Ambrose-Director of Legal and Governmental Affairs

American Association for Marriage and Family
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15. General issue area code EDU (one per page)
-Re-authorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title XIV
All provisions relating to school mental health counselors and counseling.
16. Specific lobbying issues
-Seek inclusion of marriage and family therapists as school mental health counselors under the Elementary and Secondary Act and ensure their availability for mental health counseling grants.
-HR 4141, Education Options Act, all provisions relating to mental health counselors and counseling.
-S2, Educational Opportunities Act, all provisions relating to mental health counselors and counseling.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

- House
- Senate
- Department of Education

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Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
David M. Bergman	Government Affairs Manager

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15. General issue area code GOV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

-Seek recognition of marriage and family therapists as health care professional in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) in future FEHBP legislative proposals and executive branch actions.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

- House
- Senate
- White House
- Office of Personnel Management
- Department of Health & Human Services

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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

(see attached)

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
-House
-Senate

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Item # 16: Specific Lobbying Issues

- S. 1344, Patient's Bill of Rights Act of 1999, all provisions relating to: choice of coverage options; access to specialists; continuity of care; confidentiality of communications; nondiscrimination of providers; health care professionals making medical necessity decisions; liability of managed care organizations; and an independent appeals process.
- H.R. 2723, Bipartisan Consensus Managed Care Improvement Act of 1999, all provisions relating to: Choice of coverage options; access to specialists; continuity of care; confidentiality of communications; nondiscrimination of providers; health care professionals making medical necessity decisions; liability of managed care organizations; and an independent appeals process.
- H.R. 2990, Quality Care for the Uninsured Act, all provisions relating to: choice of coverage options; access to specialists; continuity of care; confidentiality of communications; nondiscrimination of providers; health care professionals making medical necessity decisions; liability of managed care organizations; and an independent appeals process.
- S. 326 Patient's Bill of Rights Act, Titles I & II, all provisions relating to: choice of coverage options; access to specialists; continuity of care; health care professionals making medical necessity decisions; liability of managed care organizations and independent appeals process.

Support Managed Care Reform that provides: choice of coverage options; access to specialists; continuity of care; confidentiality of communications; nondiscrimination of providers; health care professionals making medical necessity decisions; liability of managed care organizations; and an independent appeals process.

- S. 2639, Mental Health Early Intervention; Treatment and Prevention Act of 2000, all provisions relating to increasing funding for mental health securities and providers and reducing the stigma of mental illness.

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15. General issue area code INS (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 796, Mental Health Equitable Treatment Act of 1999, all provisions relating to providing full parity with respect to health insurance coverage for mental illnesses.

H.R. 1515, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Parity Amendments of 1999, all provisions relating to providing full parity with respect to health insurance coverage for mental illnesses.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

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15. General issue area code MED (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

(see attached)

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David M. Bergman	Government Affairs Manager

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Signature *John P. Ambrose* Date 12-20-00
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Item #16: Specific Lobbying Issues

- S. 573, Medical Information Privacy and Security Act, all provisions relating to the disclosure of mental health records.
- S. 578, Health Care Personal Information Non-disclosure Act of 1999, all provisions relating to the disclosure of mental health records.
- S. 881, Medical Information Protection Act of 1999, all provisions relating to the disclosure of mental health records.
- H.R. 1057, Medical Information Privacy and Security Act, all provisions relating to the disclosure of mental health records.
- H.R. 1941, Health Information Privacy Act, all provisions relating to the disclosure of mental health records.
- H.R. 2470, Medical Information Protection and Research Enhancement Act of 1999, all provisions relating to the disclosure of mental health records.

Support of legislation that establishes strict guidelines for the disclosure of mental health records. Ensure adequate disclosure protections as well as penalties for violations.

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15. General issue area code MMN (one per page)

-H.R. 2945, Seniors Mental Health Access Improvement Act, all provisions relating to the coverage of marriage and family therapist services

16. Specific lobbying issues under Part B of the Medicare Program.

-H.R. 4680, Medicare Rx 2000 Act, attempting to add provisions providing coverage of marriage and family therapist services under Part B of the Medicare Program.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

- House
- Senate
- Department of Health and Human Services
- White House
- Health Care Financing Administration

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
David M. Bergman	Government Affairs Manager

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Item #16: Specific Lobbying Issues

S. 980, Promoting Health in Rural Areas Act of 1999, all provisions relating to recognized therapists in coverage of qualified mental health professional services under Medicare as it relates to rural health clinics.

H.R. 1334, Triple-A Rural Health Improvement Act of 1999, Title I, Sub-Title C, all provisions relating to recognized therapists in coverage of qualified mental health professional services under Medicare as it relates to rural health clinics.

Seek recognition of marriage and family therapists under Medicare.

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15. General issue area code TRA (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

-49 CFR 40 Docket No. OST-99-5742, all provisions relating to qualification for substance abuse professionals in Department of Transportation Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

-Department of Transportation
-House

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Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____

22. New general description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is no longer expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that no longer pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)
N/A		

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is no longer affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership percentage in client
N/A				

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that no longer owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

Signature John P. Ambrose Date 12-20-00
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