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Julie Shroyer heads Wheat Government Relations' health care practice. With twenty-three years of government relations experience, Ms. Shroyer is in daily contact with Washington's leading health care experts on Capitol Hill, in regulatory agencies, national organizations, and advocacy coalitions. Her long-term relationships with health policy decision makers allow her to be a forceful voice for the interests of Wheat Government Relations clients.

Ms. Shroyer's current health care clients include the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), the American Health Care Association (AHCA), the National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (NOFAS), ProCure Cancer Treatment Centers, Oklahoma Surgical Hospital (OSH), and several Health Information Technology (HIT) companies. During her tenure at Wheat Government Relations she has also represented psychiatric nursing, optometry, physicians—including cosmetic surgeons, pharmaceutical companies, end-of-life and palliative care, long term care insurance, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, long term care pharmacies, and the biotechnology industry. She considers the two-year period building up to passage of the Affordable Care Act as the most challenging and rewarding during her twenty-three year career in Washington.

Before joining Wheat Government Relations in 2001, Ms. Shroyer was a Vice President of Capitol Associates. Her clients included health professional associations, medical research coalitions, and a large research university. She was also Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs at the American Psychiatric Association from 1992 to 1998. She advocated for the Association's priorities in a number of healthcare coalitions and was instrumental in winning the inclusion of mental health benefits in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

Ms. Shroyer learned the legislative process first-hand as a professional staff member to the House Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families from 1990 to 1992. She continues to maintain and develop her extensive bipartisan network of contacts on Capitol Hill, in regulatory agencies, public interest groups, and advocacy organizations.

Ms. Shroyer is married to David Shaw and they have two daughters. While Ms. Shroyer's children are Washington natives, she maintains strong ties to her home state of Michigan. Ms. Shroyer received her Bachelors of Social Work from Western Michigan University and her Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan. She is also active with her Alumni Associations and the Michigan State Society.