

MDA's Public Policy and Advocacy Program



Purpose of MDA's Public Policy and Advocacy Program

MDA is dedicated to advocating for national policies and programs that accelerate the development of therapies and cures, facilitate early diagnosis and treatment from day one, and ensure access to critical support that promotes independence. Together, with MDA's network of advocates, we ensure that the collective voice of our community is heard.

How MDA's Public Policy and Advocacy Efforts Make an Impact

MDA's public policy and advocacy initiatives help save and improve lives. These initiatives are organized into the following impact areas:

SCIENCE



- Accelerate the development of therapies and cures
- Facilitate early diagnosis and treatment from day one

CARE

- Ensure access to critical health care and support services



Become an MDA Advocate and Make a Difference Today

Together, we are stronger. That is why we are asking you to join us as an MDA Advocate to use your voice to accelerate the development of therapies and cures, facilitate early diagnosis and treatment, and ensure access to critical support that promotes independence.

Whether you're living with a neuromuscular disease, love someone who is, or are part of the larger community, **we need your help**. MDA empowers advocates to engage policymakers about issues that impact the neuromuscular disease community and let them know how they can help. There are easy ways to make an impact. From responding to an action alert to meeting with members of Congress, there are many ways to get involved. **MDA is committed to providing you with the information and tools you need to help shape important public policy.**

MDA Advocates are actively engaged in every state and in almost every US congressional district. With your help, we will continue to make a positive impact.

Please join us in making a difference today.



Sign up to become an MDA Advocate and to receive action alerts and policy updates: mda.org/advocacy



Contact the MDA National Resource Center for more information or to sign up to become an MDA Advocate: 833-ASK-MDA1 or ResourceCenter@mdausa.org.



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