

ASCO's Advocacy Activities

ASCO volunteers have numerous opportunities to get involved in advocating on behalf of cancer care and our patients at the federal and state level. These activities include virtual advocacy (sending ACT Network emails); in person advocacy (conducting visits on Capitol Hill or at home in the congressional districts, hosting lawmakers and staff for site visits at their practice, meeting with agency officials); engaging in grassroots advocacy (contacting lawmakers volunteers know well at critical times in the process); or speaking on behalf of ASCO at briefings or providing hearing testimony. We are pleased to recognize the ASCO volunteers who were leaders in cancer care advocacy in 2020.

Advocate of the Year: Jasmine Kamboj, MD, MBBS



In 2020, Dr. Kamboj went above and beyond advocating on behalf of cancer care professionals and their patients. From sending ACT Network letters to her lawmakers, meeting with her elected officials in Minnesota, or participating in the 2020 virtual Advocacy Summit, Dr. Kamboj was always happy to help educate lawmakers on ASCO's legislative priorities and creating valuable relationships with her lawmakers and their staff. While Dr. Kamboj was relatively new to ASCO advocacy when the year began, she ended 2020 an advocacy expert.

Dr. Kamboj practices at Virginia Piper Cancer Institute in River Falls, Wisconsin, and the Northfield Hospital in Northfield, Minnesota. Dr. Kamboj earned her medical degree at the Armed Forces Medical College in Pune, India, completed her residency at Chicago Medical School at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, and a fellowship in Hematology & Oncology at Baylor College of Medicine, in Houston, Texas.

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ASCO advocates who regularly participate in more than one of ASCO's advocacy activities.

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