

ASCO's Advocacy Activities

ASCO provides volunteers with several opportunities to get involved in advocating on behalf of cancer care and our patients. These activities include: virtual advocacy (sending ACT Network emails); in person advocacy (conducting visits on Capitol Hill, with agency officials or at home in the congressional districts); engaging in grassroots advocacy (email/phone call with legislative staff, speaking on behalf of ASCO at briefings or providing hearing testimony, hosting lawmakers and staff for site visits at their practice locations). Listed below are the ASCO volunteers who are leaders in cancer care advocacy.

Advocate of the Year: Carolyn Hendricks, MD, FASCO



In 2019, Dr. Hendricks went above and beyond volunteering time to participate in ASCO's grassroots activities. From participating in ASCO's Advocacy at Home program, meeting with her elected officials in Pennsylvania and Maryland, or multiple trips to Capitol Hill, Dr. Hendricks was always happy to help educate lawmakers on ASCO's legislative priorities.

Dr. Hendricks practices at Maryland Oncology Hematology in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Hendricks earned her medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, completed her residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and completed fellowship at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

President's Circle

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

Eric Bernicker, MD

Kurt Oettel, MD, MBA, FACP

John Deeken, MD

Ray Page, DO, PhD, FACOI, FASCO

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Ashley Sumrall, MD, FACP

Ralph Hauke, MD, FACP, FASCO

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Catherine Van Poznak, MD, FASCO

Randy Kimple, MD, PhD

Jeffery Ward, MD, FASCO

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Robin Zon, MD, FACP, FASCO

Speaker's Club

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

Peggy Bezruki, BC, RN

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Thomas George, MD, FACP

Mark Henderson, MD

Tara Henderson, MD, MPH, FASCO

Sheetal Kircher, MD

Roger Klein, JD, MD

Shail Maingi, MD

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Therese Mulvey, MD, FASCO

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Heloisa Soares, MD

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Mylin Torres, MD

Jason Westin, MD, MS, FACP

Senator's Club

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

Holly Almond, NP, MSN, RN, BA

Samir Ambrale, MD, MPH

Muhammad Beg, MD, MS

Tithi Biswas, MD

Carlin Callaway, DNP, RN, AOCNP

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Robert Daly, MD, MBA

Sameer Desai, MD

Gail Eckhardt, MD, FASCO

Apar Ganti, MD

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