ASCOrs 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 grasstops 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
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Melissa Dillmon, MD, FASCO
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Marilyn Heine, MD
Randy Kimple, MD, PhD
Charles Miller, MD, FACP
Kurt Oettel, MD, MBA, FACP
Ray Page, DO, PhD, FACOI, FASCO
Carole Seigel, MBA
Ashley Sumrall, MD, FACP
Joan Tashbar
Catherine Van Poznak, MD, FASCO
Jeffery Ward, MD, FASCO
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
Anthony Mega, MD
Sogol Mostoufi-Moab, MD, MSCE
Therese Mulvey, MD, FASCO
Martin Palmeri, MD, MBA
Gladys Rodriguez, MD
Trevor Royce, MD, MPH
Joel Saltzman, MD
Danielle Shafer, DO
Heloisa Soares, MD
Dorinda Sparacio, MS
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
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Muhammad Beg, MD, MS
Tithi Biswas, MD
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Daniel Carrozosa, MD, MS
Robert Daly, MD, MBA
Sameer Desai, MD
Gail Eckhardt, MD, FASCO
Apar Ganti, MD
Arif Kamal, MD, MBA, MHS, FAAHPM, FASCO
Karen Knudsen, PhD, MBA
Inga Lennes, MD, MPH, MBA
Rami Manochakian, MD
Merry Markham, MD, FACP, FASCO
Heather McArthur, MD, MPH
Caroline Merritt, BA, MA
Joseph Muscato, MD
Zeina Nahleh, MD
Burton Needles, MD
Larissa Nekhlyudov, MD, MPH
Matthew Nwaneri, MD, MBA
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Todd Pickard, PA-C, FASCO
Lori Pierce, MD, FASTRO, FASCO
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