



ACT Leads play a critical role in helping the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network impact public policy to the benefit of cancer patients, their families, survivors and the health of all Hoosiers. An ACT Lead helps implement local, state or federal advocacy throughout their Congressional District and serves as the key contact for their member of Congress and for other volunteers in their area. An ACT Lead works closely with ACS CAN staff and volunteers

WHO MAKES A GOOD ACT LEAD?

- Anyone who is passionate about the fight against cancer and wants to make a difference
- A cancer survivor, family member of a survivor or a caregiver
- A Relay for Life event participant
- A Making Strides Against Breast Cancer volunteer
- A doctor, nurse or other health professional

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Serve as the key volunteer contact with their member of congress and state elected officials
- Participate in state legislative activities such as annual State Lobby Day at the state capitol
- Attend required trainings, including monthly conference calls and quarterly nationwide calls with ACS CAN staff members
- Assist ACS CAN staff in meeting annual fundraising goals and identifying new advocacy volunteers in their Congressional District
- Represent ACS CAN at occasional community events, such as Relay for Life, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, or local health fairs
- Maintain an annual ACS CAN Membership (\$10 annual fee)
- Attend ACS CAN's annual Leadership Summit and Lobby Day in Washington, D.C.(September)
- Respond to Legislative Action Alerts, submit letters-to-the-editor to your local media and communicate CAN alerts and messages as requested

TERM & TIME COMMITMENT & REQUIREMENTS:

- ACT Leads are asked to make a two-year commitment to the program
- They are also required to be dues (\$10 yearly) paying ACS CAN members
- ACT Leads spend 2-4 hours a month doing advocacy activities
- ACT Leads must have regular access to email and be available by phone

SUPPORT PROVIDED TO ACT LEADS:

- ACS CAN staff provides ongoing support such as talking points, research, action alerts, personalized messaging, and responses as requested
- Issue updates, special ACSCAN.org access & regular newsletter
- Regular training, conference calls, access to materials, etc.

CONTACT:

- For more information: www.acscan.org/indiana or call Bryan at (317) 344-7816