

Welcome to the New York ACS CAN Volunteer Call



June 16, 2025



Agenda for the evening

Special Announcement– Marcia Earle

State/NYC – Michael Davoli

Fundraising – Becca Oechsner with special guests

Lexy Mealing & Peter O'Connor

Federal Updates – Becca Oechsner

Action Items – Marcia Earle



Welcome New
Volunteers!



SPECIAL VOLUNTEER ANNOUNCEMENT



State/NYC Updates



Michael Davoli

Senior Government Relations Director



State Update

**End of Session
Recap/Updates**



NYC Update

SAVE THE DATE!

- **Cancer Action Week:** September 8–12 with potential rescheduling of Lights of Hope Display.



Questions?

Fundraising

Lights of Hope season has begun,
Start your pages today!

Special guests Lexy Mealing and Peter
O'Connor to share their experience so far.



Federal Update



Becca Oechsner

Regional Senior Manager, Grassroots Organizing



Medicaid Campaign



Thank you for attending events!



Medicaid Campaign

4 weeks, 4 actions – On Home Page

- **Send an email action alert.**
- **Make a phone call to Schumer & Gillibrand.**
- **Social media day of action June 17!**
- **Drop by Schumer and Gillibrand's Office with Medicaid fact sheets and help us visit every Senate Office in the country.**





MCED

H.R.842 – Nancy Gardner Sewell Medicare
Multi-Cancer Early Detection Screening
Coverage Act

Missing:

4 – Gillen

5 – Meeks

6 – Meng

8 – Jeffries

10 – Goldman

13 – Espaillat

14 – Ocasio-Cortez

House – 178 cosponsors

(as of 6/11)

19 in New York (**no new this month**)

1 LaLota

2 Garbarino

3 Suozzi

7 Velazquez

9 Clarke

11 Malliotakis

12 Nadler

15 Torres

16 Latimer

17 Lawler

18 Ryan

19 Riley

20 Tonko

21 Stefanik

22 Mannion

23 Langworthy

24 Tenney

25 Morelle

26 Kennedy

SLA Update



Marcia Earle
State Lead Ambassador



SCREENS

H.R.2381 – SCREENS for Cancer Act of 2025 –
reauthorizes the National Breast and
Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program
for 2026–2030

Suozzi (NY-25) is main sponsor

NY has the most cosponsors now

House – 26
cosponsors (5 new)

(as of 6/11)

5 in New York (2 new)

3 Suozzi

9 Clarke

15 Torres

17 Lawler

20 Tonko





**Are you a
researcher or
health care
professional?**

**Interest form for those
wanting to explore
ways to deepen your
advocacy work with
ACS CAN through that
lens**

Reply by June 26th



ACS CAN Researchers and Health Care Professionals Interest Form

Recognizing that ACS CAN has volunteers that are in research and/or health care professions, and given the impact of current and potential research and health care cuts and rollbacks, volunteers have expressed a desire to come together to share unique stories, experiences, influence, and advocacy opportunities. Please complete this form to let us know your role in research and/or health care, and if you would be interested in exploring ways to deepen your advocacy work with ACS CAN through that lens. Please complete this form by Friday, June 20.

* Required

1. Your Name: *

Enter your answer

New onboarding system for new volunteers



Do you want to help implement this
in New York?

Contact Marcia:
marcia.earle@verizon.net



Allyship is a Verb

May Affinity Group Session

Allyship Is a Verb Notes and Resources



Learn more at fightcancer.org

[ACS CAN Affinity Group Allyship is a Verb - Notes and Resources.pdf - Google Drive](#)

Resources

[ACS CAN Volunteer Affinity Group Shared Resource List v.1 11.01.24.pdf - Google Drive](#)



Volunteer Leadership Affinity Groups

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) is committed to ensuring everyone has a fair and equitable experience. We know that cancer impacts everyone, but it doesn't impact everyone equally, and that is why diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to our mission. ACS CAN is centering the lived experiences and voices of our diverse volunteer leaders through our communications, messaging, partnerships, policy initiatives, and volunteer outreach, training, and engagement.



Did You Know?

Key facts about cancer in LGBTQ+ people

Data reflects information from Cancer in People Who Identify as LGBTQ+, an article published in *Cancer*.



LGBTQ+ people face barriers to high-quality health care, including discrimination and limited provider knowledge of their unique health needs



Transgender people are less likely to be screened for

- 🏳️‍🌈 cervical cancer
- 🏳️‍🌈 colorectal cancer
- 🏳️‍🌈 prostate cancer



Some LGBTQ+ populations are more likely to have cancer risk factors, including

- ▲ cigarette smoking
- ▲ heavy alcohol use
- ▲ excess body weight



The cancer burden for LGBTQ+ people is unknown because data on sexual orientation and gender identity are not routinely collected in health care settings

Access to quality, inclusive care is key to the prevention and treatment of cancer in LGBTQ+ communities.

View the journal article at doi.org/10.1002/cncr.35355





Recognition

fightcancer.org/advocacyawards

Action Items



Federal Campaigns

- Keep working on for MCED (HR 842) and SCREENS (HR 2381) cosponsors
- Medicaid
 - June 17th Social Media Day of Action
 - Four Weeks, Four Actions
- Cancer Research Petition – share far and wide bit.ly/cancercures2

State Campaigns / Cancer Action Day Follow up

- Did you reconnect with someone on your team?
- Don't forget to thank lawmakers for co-sponsoring our legislation, the Senate for passing our TDI bill, Assembly and Senate for passing our lung cancer bill.

Advancing our Mission

- Set up your Lights of Hope page – We have 17 pages set up thus far
 - Sponsorship challenge – now through June 20th
- Volunteer for our new onboarding system team

Recognition

- Consider nominating a staff member or fellow volunteer for an award by July 24th

Questions?



**Next ALL Volunteer Call
Monday, July 21, 2025 at 6:30 PM**

**NOTE: Time change due to BVC meeting
at 7:30 PM.**



Thank You!