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**National Down Syndrome
Advocacy Coalition(NDAC),
Resources and NDSC
Website**

Questions & Answers



NDAC Membership

NDAC

National Down Syndrome
Advocacy Coalition

NDAC Members- NDSC members of all abilities/levels of advocacy experience (anyone can join).

NDAC Group Members- NDSC Affiliate Program Subscribers who have opted to join the NDAC program, or other groups (cross-disability, other disability, statewide coalitions).

Simply submit a brief application online and you will be contacted by one of our team members.

- NDAC Member Application: <https://goo.gl/KbuLe4>
- NDAC Group Member Application: <https://goo.gl/1hQ1af>
- After joining NDAC, be sure to join our private NDAC Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/NDSCNDAC/>

Questions? Visit <https://www.ndscenter.org/political-advocacy/national-down-syndrome-advocacy-coalition/>
or email Jawanda@ndscenter.org



**NATIONAL
DOWN SYNDROME
CONGRESS**

NDAC OSERS TOWN HALL

Glenna Wright-Gallo

Assistant Secretary for OSERS*



NDAC Member Event
NDAC OSERS TOWN HALL
Saturday, July 22
8:00-9:00 AM
Ritz 1

Complimentary coffee and pastries (including gluten-free) will be available.

If you are not an NDAC Member, you can join using the QR Code or see one of our registration volunteers for a hard copy.

**Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services at the U.S. Department of Education*



NDAC Graphic with QR Code



The National Down Syndrome Advocacy Coalition (NDAC) is the National Down Syndrome Congress' (NDSC) grassroots advocacy program designed to educate individuals with Down syndrome, their family members, and other allies about policy issues and give them the advocacy tools and techniques they need to effectively engage with lawmakers, agencies, and other key decision makers to advocate for policy change.

NDAC works to involve and engage more advocates, including individuals with Down syndrome, their family members, and other allies who support our Down syndrome community. If you or someone you know wants to impact change for individuals with Down syndrome, NDAC is for you!

NDAC membership grants access to:

- Quarterly webinars, resources, and information
- Private Facebook group
- Networking opportunities and more!



Ready to Join or Learn More?

Scan the QR code or visit www.ndsccenter.org/political-advocacy/national-down-syndrome-advocacy-coalition for the NDAC FAQ and online application.



NDAC Goals & Engagement 2023

Goal Met:

NDAC Membership in all 50 states (see next slide)

Short Term Goal:

A minimum of one self-advocate in each state (see next slide)

Mid-term goal: Identify, enlist, and engage NDAC members from key Congressional committee leaders' districts

Long Term Goal:

Two- three self-advocates in each state

Long-term goal: At least one member from all 435 Congressional districts




NDAC by the Numbers

- **NDAC Members:**
 - 762 members in all 50 states and District of Columbia
- **Self-Advocate Members:**
 - 97 in 35 states and District of Columbia
- **NDAC Group Members:**
 - 57 in 28 states & 3 countries



NDAC Goal:
**Self-Advocate Member in Every State &
More Self-Advocate Members in ALL States**

Current: 97 members in 35 states and the District of Columbia



*States where we
need self-advocates
members:*

- Alaska
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Kentucky
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- Montana
- New Hampshire
- New Mexico
- Oregon
- Rhode Island
- Vermont
- Wyoming

Policy & Advocacy Resources on the NDSC Website

These resources can be found on the NDSC Convention App.

Many training resources including the presentations and handouts from the 2023 NDSC Advocacy Training Boot Camp at the NDSC Convention can be found year-round on NDSC website under the Policy & Advocacy tab under Training Resources- <https://www.ndscenter.org/political-advocacy/advocacytrainings/>

Resource List with links including how to find your elected officials and bill tracking

- NDSC Advocacy Resource List
- Examples of Self-Advocate One Pagers
- Self-Advocate One-Pager Template
- Elevator Speech Template
- NDSC Advocacy Toolkit for Self-advocates
- Advocacy Training Boot Camp Power Point Presentations

For more info about our policy agenda and resources, visit: <https://www.ndscenter.org/political-advocacy/>



Sign up to stay up-to-date with NDSC Policy communications!

- *Action Alerts*
 - <https://www.ndscenter.org/political-advocacy/take-action-stay-informed/>
- *Facebook*
 - NDAC Members may join the private NDAC Facebook group
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/NDSCNDAC/>

If you can only commit to one thing, sign up for Action Alerts!

Follow NDSC on Social Media!



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