### TAKE ACTION

# HOW CAN I EMAIL MY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES?

The Endocrine Society encourages its members to contact their Members of Congress or the European Parliament to advocate for endocrine research through increased NIH funding, better physician payment, proposed legislation that affects your research and practice, and a host of other topics. Emailing a policymaker really can make a difference! Lawmakers read all the emails they receive and constantly monitor social media to learn what their constituents care about.

In order to easily navigate our online advocacy system, please follow the below steps and take action today!

Should you encounter any issues, please do not hesitate to reach out to Grace Kranstover at <a href="mailto:gkranstover@endocrine.org">gkranstover@endocrine.org</a>.

#### **STEP 1:**

To get started, visit the Endocrine Society's Take Action page at endocrine.org/takeaction and select the campaign of your choosing.





#### STEP 2:

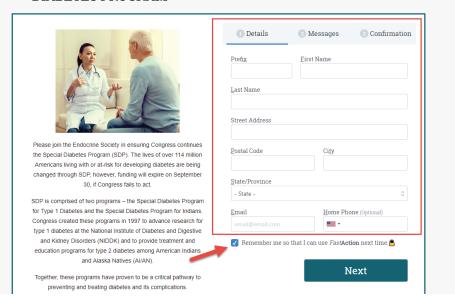
Fill out your personal contact information (not your institution address) to contact your correct government representative and then click "Next."

If you work at a state university and are not sure if you can take action, please check with your institution's federal relations office.

Pro Tip: Select the FastAction box to ensure that our system will remember your contact information in the future as long as you are using the same device!



## SUPPORT REAUTHORIZATION FOR THE SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAM



### STEP 3:

After your government representative has been identified, you can now review and personalize the letter in the text box as you wish <u>before</u> selecting "Send all messages."



Please join the Endocrine Society in ensuring Congress continues the Special Diabetes Program (SDP). The lives of over 114 million Americans living with or at-risk for developing diabetes are being changed through SDP, however, funding will expire on September 30, if Congress falls to act.

SDP is comprised of two programs – the Special Diabetes Program for Type 1 Diabetes and the Special Diabetes Program for Indians. Congress created these programs in 1997 to advance research for type 1 diabetes at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disorders (NIDDK) and to provide treatment and education programs for type 2 diabetes among American Indians and Alaska Natives (Al/AN).

Together, these programs have proven to be a critical pathway to preventing and treating diabetes and its complications.

Take Action on our online campaign to urge your Member of Congress to support the Special Diabetes Program today.

Please enter your personal contact information (not your institution address) to contact your correct member of Congress.

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### STEP 4:

Congratulations! You have taken action and contacted your government representative on behalf of the Endocrine Society!

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After sending your letter, you will be shown a thank you message like the one shown here.

We encourage our members to share our campaigns on Facebook and Twitter and urge others to also take action using the "Share" and "Tweet" buttons as well.



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#### Thank you for taking action!

Thanks for taking action on this important issue. Your message has been delivered to Senator Marco Rubio, Senator Rick Scott, and Representative Ted Deutch.

The Endocrine Society will continue to keep you up to date with new developments. To learn more about other issues we are working on, visit us at https://www.endocrine.org/advocacy

We strongly encourage you to share this campaign with your colleagues using social media to applify your message. Please use the Facebook and Twitter buttons below to share!





