



American Society of Human Genetics

ADVOCATE UPDATE

September 2024

ASHG Calendar: Events and Important Dates

- **Webinar: Demystifying Advocacy: The Role of Scientists Shaping Policy:** Join us on Wednesday, September 25 from 1:00 - 2:00 PM EDT for this important webinar for an introduction to ASHG's role in the biomedical research advocacy community and why it is so vital for scientists to take action! This webinar is free for ASHG members: [register now!](#)
- **ASHG Workshop: Advocacy in Action: Effective Techniques for Shaping Science Policy:** Want even more tools to be an effective advocate? You can purchase tickets [here](#) for an upcoming workshop, "Advocacy in Action: Effective Techniques for Shaping Science Policy" on October 16 from 12:00 - 2:00 pm EDT to practice and hone your advocacy skills!
- **Advanced Registration Deadline:** The [ASHG 2024 Annual Meeting](#) will be in Denver, Colorado from November 5-9, 2024. Register [here](#) before October 1 to take advantage of discounted registration rates!

ASHG Participates in 12th Annual Rally for Medical Research Hill Day!



On September 19, ASHG members, including the Advocacy Certificate for Human Genetics and Genomics Trainees (ACGT), participated in the 12th annual [Rally for Medical Research](#) Hill Day to advocate for increased NIH funding. ASHG members met with congressional offices to emphasize the importance of sustained support for biomedical and genomic research, highlighting its critical role in advancing scientific innovation and improving public health.

It's not too late for you to participate in the Rally! Use the button below to send your message to Congress.

Take Action!

In Other Policy News

- On Sunday, Speaker Mike Johnson (R-La.) [rolled out a plan B](#) for a bipartisan continuing resolution to avert a government shutdown.

- To keep up with the latest on Capitol Hill, check out ASHG's recent [Washington Update!](#)
- Election Day is less than two months away! Check your voter registration status or register [here](#) today- it takes less than two minutes!
- NIH is seeking public feedback on implementing recommendations to re-envision the postdoctoral experience until October 23. Learn more [here!](#)
- Visit this United for Medical Research (UMR) [tool](#) to learn about the impact of NIH funding in your state and across the country!
- Interested in learning more about the ethical, legal, and social implications of different scientific topics? Visit [ELSIHub Collections](#) to explore essential reading lists on fundamental or emerging topics in ELSI, curated and explained by experts!

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