

## ASCO's Advocacy Activities

ASCO members have numerous opportunities to advocate at the federal and state level on behalf of patients with cancer. These activities include grassroots advocacy; direct advocacy; engaging in grassroots advocacy; speaking on behalf of ASCO at briefings or providing hearing testimony; and contributing to the ASCO Association Political Action Committee (PAC). We are pleased to recognize the following ASCO volunteers who exemplified cancer care advocacy in 2022.



- **Grasstops Advocacy:** Utilizing pre-existing relationships with lawmakers to advance ASCO's priorities.
- **Direct Advocacy:** Actions include face-to-face meetings with elected officials or their staff.
- **Grassroots Advocacy:** Actions taken by a group to contact elected officials online, on the phone, or by mail.

## Advocate of the Year: Ashley Sumrall, MD, FACP



Dr. Sumrall is a tremendous advocate and storyteller for cancer care professionals and the patients for whom they care. Not only does she advocate for her patients in the clinical setting, Dr. Sumrall also takes time to communicate with lawmakers and amplify the voices of cancer patients. Across her various advocacy activities, Dr. Sumrall paints a clear and concise picture for lawmakers and their staff on how current health policies not only impact oncology and cancer patients but the broader U.S. health care system as well. From sending ACT Network letters to her lawmakers, attending the Advocacy Summit, participating in federal agency meetings, engaging on social media, and contributing to the ASCO Association PAC, she made cancer care advocacy a priority in 2022. She currently serves on ASCO's Government Relations Committee.

Dr. Sumrall currently serves as Section Chief of Neuro-Oncology at Levine Cancer Institute of Atrium Health and Clinical Associate Professor, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, Section on Hematology and Oncology. She earned her medical degree from the University of Mississippi, completed her residency at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and her fellowship at Duke University Medical Center.

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ASCO advocates who actively engage in ASCO's advocacy activities.

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ASCO advocates who often participate in more than one of ASCO's advocacy activities.

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