

# United for Lung Health

Advocacy Day | Washington, D.C.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What issues will be addressed at United for Lung Health?**

We advocate for increases in lung health funding, healthy air quality, improvements in prevention programming and improved access to care. Our policy agenda is constantly evolving, and your input is encouraged!

The incidence of chronic lung disease is on the rise, yet federal funding for research to combat lung disease has not kept pace. The United for Lung Health partners favor an increase in the overall budget of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), which supports lung disease research that will lead to decreased health care costs and improved quality of life for people with lung disease.

### **Will I receive training?**

Yes! Nothing is more powerful than you sharing your story with our elected officials. To help prepare you for your visits, Respiratory Health Association will host pre-event conference calls and on-site training during your visit to Washington, D.C. We will also provide you with fact sheets and reference materials to help you understand the most recent policy actions and pending legislation.

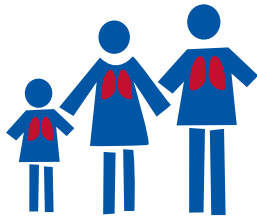
### **How will meetings be scheduled with law makers?**

Participants are responsible for setting up meetings with their legislators. We've seen greater results in meeting with legislators (as opposed to his or her staff) when constituents schedule their own meetings. Respiratory Health Association will provide guidance on setting up meetings with lawmakers, including draft meeting request letters and talking points.

### **What is included in my registration fee?**

The \$125 registration fee includes participation in the program, training, resources to share with legislators, and some meals. On June 13, participants will receive lunch and an evening reception of heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks. On June 14, participants will receive lunch at the concluding session.

Participants should anticipate incurring minimal costs for meals and incidentals.



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## **How should I schedule my hotel and transportation?**

Activities for United for Lung Health will begin on the morning of Wednesday, June 13 and conclude on the afternoon of Thursday, June 14. Please plan to arrive on the evening of Tuesday, June 12 or early on Wednesday, June 13. Plan to depart the evening of Thursday, June 14. Transportation to Washington, D.C., and lodging are the responsibility of the participant unless otherwise confirmed by Respiratory Health Association.

In addition, transportation between United Lung Health events will be the responsibility of the participant. In all cases, the distance between meeting locations has been kept to a minimum. Affordable options and cab or ride sharing will be encouraged. Participants will receive maps and directions to aid in navigation.

The program begins and ends at the Kaiser Family Foundation, Barbara Jordan Conference Center located at 1330 G. Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20005. The Kaiser Family Foundation is located one block west of the Metro Center Metro stop which has access to both the red and blue lines.

## **What if I need assistance or have limited mobility?**

All of the events are being held in ADA-accessible sites. In addition, Respiratory Health Association will work with you on an individual basis to connect with local vendors to ensure that you have proper provisions such as a wheelchair or oxygen supplies.