

CANCER RESEARCH IS SAVING LIVES



AACI-AACR Hill Day 2025 Thank You Template

Subject: Thank You for Meeting During AACR/AACI Hill Day

Hi [Staffer's First Name],

Thank you again for taking the time to meet with me during the AACR/AACI Joint Hill Day on May 22. I appreciated the opportunity to share why funding for medical research matters so deeply to me—[insert brief personal reason or connection here].

Now more than ever, we need Congress to reaffirm its commitment to medical research and the patients who depend on it. As we discussed, continued investment in the NIH and NCI is critical to building on the progress we have made in the fight against cancer. I hope [Representative/Senator Last Name] will:

- **Support at least \$51.3 billion for NIH in FY2026**, a \$4.22 billion increase to ensure sustained momentum across lifesaving research.
- **Provide at least \$7.934 billion for NCI in FY2026**, an increase of \$710 million to expand access to cancer research grants and clinical trials.

Thanks to decades of bipartisan support, the United States has become the global leader in cancer research and that leadership has saved millions of lives. However, the extraordinary progress we have made is at risk. Proposed cuts to NIH and NCI funding threaten not just research programs, but the hope they offer to millions of Americans.

Thank you again for your time and for your commitment to advancing the fight against cancer. The choices Congress makes this year will determine whether we can continue delivering breakthroughs for the patients who need them most.

I hope you will stand with us to protect the future of cancer research.

Best regards,