

DYSPHONIA INTERNATIONAL

Ways to Participate

Find ways you can become more involved and contribute to the growth of our community!

Guest Speaker Program

Dysphonia International's Guest Speaker Program opens a gateway to connect personal experiences of living with a voice disorder to the educational landscape of college and university classrooms. The program's overarching objectives include deepening the comprehension of future healthcare professionals regarding the profound impact of voice conditions on an individual's quality of life, equipping aspiring professionals with the knowledge to provide empathetic support to patients grappling with voice conditions, and contributing to a broader awareness of vocal disorders, with the aim of reducing diagnosis time and facilitating timely intervention. Email outreach@dysphonia.org for more information.



Podcast Program

The Podcast Program is aimed at raising awareness about spasmodic dysphonia and other voice conditions. We bridge the gap between podcasters and individuals living with voice disorders, alongside esteemed professionals in the realm of voice, such as laryngologists, speech-language pathologists, and researchers. This unique platform offers individuals with voice conditions an invaluable opportunity to not only share their personal narratives but also to enlighten others about the realities of living with a voice disorder. Through their stories of resilience, adaptation, and triumph over challenges, guests weave compelling narratives that not only capture the imagination but also inspire listeners to embrace empathy and understanding. Email outreach@dysphonia.org for more information.



Clinical Research Trials

Participating in clinical research trials is a meaningful way to contribute to the advancement of knowledge and treatment options for voice disorders. By joining a research trial you become an essential part of the journey toward better understanding and managing conditions like spasmodic dysphonia. These trials offer participants access to cutting-edge treatments and therapies, guided by leading experts in the field. Additionally, your involvement can pave the way for future breakthroughs, benefiting not only yourself but also countless others facing similar challenges. Through participation, you not only receive specialized care but also play a vital role in shaping the future of voice disorder research and treatment. Email voice@dysphonia.org for more information.



Legacy Society

The Legacy Society Program of Dysphonia International is a meaningful way for you to make a lasting impact on an organization that you care about. A bequest designated today is a simple yet impactful way to ensure that your passions live on. As a Dysphonia International Legacy Society member, you will have the comfort of knowing your gift will ensure the ongoing viability of our organization, which is dedicated to leading the effort to eradicate spasmodic dysphonia and related voice conditions. We understand that estate planning is a deeply personal and thoughtful process, and we appreciate you considering Dysphonia International as a possible beneficiary. Your support is a beacon of hope, and your legacy will continue to shine brightly in the lives of those we serve. Email Kim at kkuman@dysphonia.org for more information.



Walk for Talk – October 17-20, 2024

In 2020, we launched Walk for Talk to unite people virtually, expand awareness and raise funds for research for spasmodic dysphonia and related voice conditions. We saw participation worldwide, all to support our voice community. Over time, Walk for Talk has expanded, including more in-person events, increased involvement of healthcare professionals and researchers, new sponsors, and expansion into more countries. Walk for Talk is an inclusive event accessible to EVERYONE, regardless of your location. There is no charge to participate, and you can raise awareness about the challenges faced by individuals with voice conditions and truly MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Email walk@dysphonia.org for more information.



World Voice Day

Awareness is a critical factor influencing early diagnosis, best treatment practices, funding for research and, hopefully, cures for spasmodic dysphonia and related voice disorders. Every year on April 16, World Voice Day helps support these goals. It is an annual awareness event dedicated to recognizing the importance of the human voice and raising awareness about various voice-related issues. It is an opportunity to acknowledge the significance of vocal health, expression, and communication. “Resonate, Educate, Celebrate” was the theme for 2024 World Voice Day. Email outreach@dysphonia.org for more information.

