

ASPECT Patient Engagement Program

“Knowledge is power, especially when it comes to your own eye condition which I felt I learned in this program.”

ASPECT participants gain:

- Confidence in telling their vision story
- Community
- New perspectives by listening to other diverse participants.
- Knowledge about the eye and a wide range of eye disorders
- Awareness of advocacy and how it can be applied
- Opportunity to join Prevent Blindness’ Eyes on Capitol Hill advocacy day.
- Purpose in their vision experience for an improved society.

ASPECT participants include:

- Individuals of all ages personally impacted by visual impairment or blindness
- Parents
- Care Partners
- Eye Care Providers
- Researchers
- Genetic Counselors
- Diabetes Educators, RNs
- Public Health professionals
- Community Health Workers
- Mental Health professionals
- Vision Rehabilitation Specialists & OTs
- Vision Nonprofit professionals

“I learned the importance of community ... a shared desire to use a less than good diagnosis to make a positive difference for others.”

ASPECT advocates commit to:

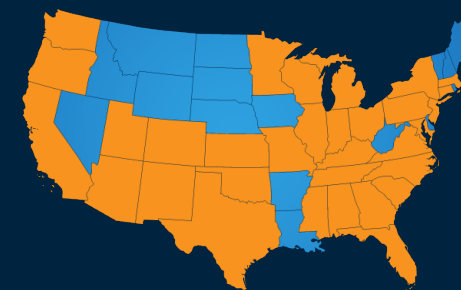
- Attend and contribute to discussion in a total of 10 Zoom classes, held every other week.

SUCCESS

ASPECT program 2020-2026



303
advocates



40+ states
+ District of Columbia
+ New Zealand, Nigeria,
Canada, South Korea,
and Pakistan



9 interns,
co-facilitators,
+ **2** program
managers

Graduates of ASPECT have applied their training...



- Improving communication with their doctors
- Meeting Members of Congress
- Guiding vision research funders on vision and aging-related priorities
- Giving feedback to software and computer engineers on accessible software and apps
- Participating on patient advisory boards of pharmaceutical companies
- Joining the Prevent Blindness Mental Health Task Force to help identify gaps and opportunities in mental health and vision and eye health
- Contributing to fact sheets and educational videos on specific eye conditions
- Providing input on clinical trial design and social media campaigns

Funders

LIMITLESS VISIONARIES



REGENERON

ACTIVE ADVOCATES



COURAGEOUS SUPPORTERS



Apellis



**Johnson
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VISION FRIENDS



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