

Biological Sciences Congressional District Visits

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The Biological Sciences Congressional District Visits event is held during the summer and early fall each year. Meetings typically take place between mid-July and the end of October. Participating scientists can either meet with their elected officials at the local district office or may invite them to visit their research facility. Tours of research facilities are especially encouraged, as such visits provide lawmakers with a personal connection to the scientific activities taking place in their district.

AIBS will schedule the meetings with lawmakers and will prepare participants through online training and one-on-one support.

How to Participate

Registration for the 2024 event is free but required. Registration closes on July 15, 2024. Register here.

Note: Participants are responsible for checking their employer's policies regarding involvement in public policy and about organizing a tour on site.

Need more information? Check out the Frequently Asked Questions.

Participant Handbook and additional resources can be accessed here.

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