Policy Efforts in 2025

See our most recent letters to Congress, responses to federal agency calls for information, nominations, and other actions we've taken for our members.

How We Serve Our Members

We help advance our members' priorities by working with dozens of other societies and organizations, in coalition. We regularly meet with U.S federal officials and members of U.S. Congress. We sign on to letters, respond to federal level calls for information, nominate SRCD members to federal positions and more.

see our policy priorities see our coalition partners science advocacy homepage

See SRCD's 2025 Public Letters:

Request and Support for Federal Funding

- Coalition Letter to U.S. Appropriators Requesting NIH funding on final FY25
 Read Coalition letter here, sent on February 25th
- Friends of IES letter to U.S. Appropriators Requesting IES Funding For FY26
 Read Coalition Letter here, sent on April 7th

 Coalition Letter to Congressional L-HHS Appropriators Requesting NICHD Funding for FY26

Read Friends of NICHD letter here, sent on April 21st

 Coalition Letter to U.S. Congressional Appropriators Requesting Funding on FY26 For Public Health Research Into Firearm Morbidity & Mortality Prevention (CDC, NIH, and NIJ)

Read Coalition letter here, sent on May 20th

- Coalition Letter to U.S. Appropriators Requesting NIH Funding For FY26
 Read Coalition Letter here, sent on June 5th
- Coalition Letter to U.S. Congressional Leadership Requesting Oversight and Federal Funding For Fiscal Year 2026

Read Coalition Letter here, sent on June 10th

Coalition Letter to U.S. Appropriators Requesting Funding for L-HHS for FY26
 Read Coalition letter here, sent on July 8th, 2025

Responses to Specific Programs and Policies

• COPAFS led letter to the U.S. Congress on Protecting and Preserving Public Access to Federal Data

Read COPAFS led letter here, sent on February 11th

- Coalition Letter to the U.S. Congress Regarding IES Contracts Cancellation
 Read Coalition letter here, sent on February 13th
- SRCD Letter to U.S. Senate Leadership on House of Representatives—agreed Budget Reconciliation

Read SRCD letter here, sent on March 4th

Coalition Letter to U.S. Congress on IES Research, Data Cuts and ED Student Privacy
 Protections

Read Coalition Letter here, sent on March 10th

Coalition Statement on the Impacts and Safety of Vaccines
 Read Statement here, published on March 20th

 Coalition Letter to Congressional Leadership on Federal Education Data, Statistics and Research

Read Coalition letter here, sent on March 25th

• SRCD Letter to Congressional Leadership with Regards to the Research Workforce and Programs that Serve Children

Read SRCD letter here, sent on April 29th

 Coalition Letter to U.S. Congressional Leadership on the Need for Transparency and Oversight Regarding Agency Reduction-in-Force and Reorganization Plans Affecting Scientific and Health Priorities

Read Coalition letter here, sent on May 8th

- Amicus Brief, CLSEPA v HHS
 Read Amicus Brief here, submitted on May 20th
- Coalition Letter to the Director of the Office of Science and Technology on the Gold
 Standard for Science

Read Coalition Letter here, sent on August 19th

Changes to Federal Programs

SRCD Responds to HHS Reinterpretation of PRWORA

Read the SRCD letter here, sent on August 13th

Check back for updates and more sign on letters regarding policies and practices impacting our scientific community's ability to fund, conduct, publish, and disseminate its research.

see 2024 Sign On letters

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