

Please join me in welcoming six new members to the American Brain Coalition!



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Hypothalamic
Hope
Hamartomas



In an effort to recognize suicide as something that needs urgent attention from the medical, scientific and advocacy community, the President [proclaimed](#) September 10, 2015, as World Suicide Prevention Day. Scientists have [recently identified](#) genes whose activity is related to suicidal thoughts and actions in men with psychiatric disorders. Read below for more science policy updates:

SCIENCE ADVOCACY NEWS

- The [International Bipolar Foundation's](#) most recent newsletter also highlighted National Suicide Prevention Week 2015. [Here](#) are past newsletters from the International Bipolar Foundation.
- The NIH is [proposing](#) revisions to the regulations that protect individuals who participate in research - the Common Rule.
- An annual, week-long observance that brings together teens and scientific experts to shatter persistent myths about substance use and addiction be [held](#) from Jan. 25-31, 2016.
- The NIH Director Francis S. Collins, M.D., Ph.D. [issued](#) a statement regarding Dr. Thomas Insel's departure.

IN THE NEWS

- [Recent studies](#) have found that nuclear pore problems may be linked to ALS and Dementia.
- [CurePSP](#) - a non-profit organization supporting awareness, education and care for devastating neurodegenerative diseases held its first annual care partners retreat for caregivers of those diagnosed with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP) - an atypical type of Parkinson's disease.
- The Brain & Behavior Research Foundation [held](#) a webinar about rare genetic variations that may lead to major depressive disorders.
- [Read](#) here about progress made in elucidating factors that affect onset of Huntington's disease.
- Read for [advice](#) for parents on suicide and suicidal behavior in young people.
- [Check out](#) some cool videos reconstructing the cerebral cortex.
- The [World Parkinson Coalition](#) has a lot going on starting from the 4th World Parkinson Congress to podcasts on research.

FOR AMERICAN BRAIN COALITION MEMBERS

- Reminder of the Sept. 24th [ABC/SfN](#) hosted webinar "New Discoveries in Brain Technology: The Potential of the BRAIN Initiative. Register [here](#).
- The AAAS and the Dana Foundation are [offering](#) a unique event entitled 'Mental Illness Across the Ages: From Children, to Adolescents, to Middle Age and the Elderly' on 30 September 2015. Register [here](#).
- [RSVP](#) by noon of Sept 21st for a Congressional Briefing entitled 'NIH Priority Setting: How Peer Review Assists the NIH in Selecting the Best Science'.
- Attend a free event offered by the International Bipolar Foundation entitled 'Climb the Hill for Recovery' to be held on Oct 9, 2015. More details can be found [here](#).
- Register for the BIO Patient and Health Advocacy Summit [here](#).
- The American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology has its annual Fall meeting in New York in October, 2015. Register [here](#).
- [Register](#) for the Annual Meeting of American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry to be held in December, 2015.
- [Read here](#) about an upcoming seminar about 'The Neurotechnology Revolution' to be held in Washington, DC in Sept, 2015.