

The [Society for Neuroscience](#) is hosting a reception at Neuroscience 2015 for scientists interested in advocacy. Meet other Advocacy Network members at this year's event, featuring Rep. Jan Schakowsky and members of the 2015 Early Career Policy Fellows class. Mark your calendars for 4 p.m. Saturday, October 17, in Room S504A at McCormick Place, where ABC members will get complimentary registration!

Here is more news from the science policy sphere:

SCIENCE ADVOCACY NEWS

- U.S. Senator Roger Wicker, R-Miss. [unveiled](#) his legislation to create prize-based incentives to encourage more public-private collaboration in the fight against Alzheimer's disease and other causes of dementia
- [Join](#) an upcoming briefing entitled '*Innovation for Healthier Americans: Priorities for the Rare Disease Community*' to be held on October 8, 2015.
- The [American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology](#) held a meeting entitled '*Psychopharmacology: State-Of-The-Art*' in October 2015 in New York City.

IN THE NEWS

- The [Potomac Institute for Policy Studies](#) and [SharpBrains](#) organized a [seminar](#) entitled '*The Neurotechnology Revolution: Market Trends and Impacts*' on Sept 29, 2015.
- The NIH [launched](#) a landmark study on substance abuse and adolescent brain development; thirteen grants were awarded to look at cognitive and social development in approximately 10,000 children.
- The 21st Music Festival for Brain Health was held in September, 2015. Read the proceedings [here](#).
- What is our brain's secret to success? NIH-funded scientists have [discovered](#) a unique support system that promotes cortex growth, connectivity and is linked to prowess.
- NIH-funded researchers have [produced](#) neural tissue chips with many features of a developing human brain. These chips could be a valuable tool to understand brain physiology and pathology, and to test potential neurotoxicity of compounds.
- [Read](#) about Patrick Kennedy's first book '*A Common Struggle*' and his journey regarding mental illness in the US.

FOR AMERICAN BRAIN COALITION MEMBERS

- The Annual meeting for the Society for Neuroscience is coming up! [Check out](#) the featured lectures! Become a [member](#) of the Society for Neuroscience and save on the 2016 Annual Meeting!
- The [National Institute on Drug Abuse](#) [NIDA] and the [National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism](#) [NIAAA] are [presenting](#) the annual Frontiers in Addiction Research [NIDA-NIAAA Mini-Convention] program on Friday, October 16, 2015.
- The [International Bipolar Foundation](#) is [offering](#) a seminar entitled '*How Do I Find the Right Therapist and Therapy For Me?*' on Nov 12, 2015.
- Register [here](#) for the annual meeting for the [American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry](#).
- The BIO Patient and Health Advocacy Summit is [ongoing](#) in Washington DC.
- [Participate](#) in a new endeavor 'Stop Stigma with Science' going on from Oct 4 to 10 - a signature program of the [Brain & Behavior Research Foundation](#).