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About Solve M.E.

The Solve ME/CFS Initiative (Solve M.E.) is a science-driven disease organization working to accelerate the discovery of safe and effective treatments for ME/CFS, aggressively aiming to expand research funds, and engaging the ME/CFS community in research, advocacy and patient support.

Solve M.E. is the largest private source of competitive research funding for ME/CFS, steadily broadening strategic, collaborative relationships with patients, researchers, government officials and other ME/CFS organizations across the globe.



Advocacy



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● Research



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LONG COVID
ALLIANCE

ADVOCACY WEEK

APRIL 18-24, 2021

EVENTS & RESOURCES

**Virtual Press Conference with
Rep. Don Beyer (D-VA) &
Rep. Jack Bergman (R-Mich)**

- Wednesday, April 21
- 3:00pm ET
- [Press Conference Link](#)

Media Interviews:

Solve M.E.

- Oved Amitay, President & CEO at Solve ME/CFS
- Sadie Whittaker, Chief Scientific Officer

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- Emily Taylor, Director of Advocacy and Community Relations at Solve ME/CFS Initiative
- Cynthia Adinig, Patient Advocate

[Link to Schedule of Events](#)

- 5th Annual Advocacy Week attracts record number of participants (*triple* last year) largely due to increased Long COVID cases nationwide.

- Dr. Fauci says many Long COVID patients likely suffer symptoms of Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/ Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS).

- ME/CFS is a debilitating, complex, chronic illness affecting 2.5M Americans.

- 1,000 ME/CFS advocates will gather virtually on Capitol Hill to kick off Advocacy Week on April 19.

- Bipartisan legislators set to make major funding announcement during Wednesday Press Conference.

[Link to Full Press Release](#)

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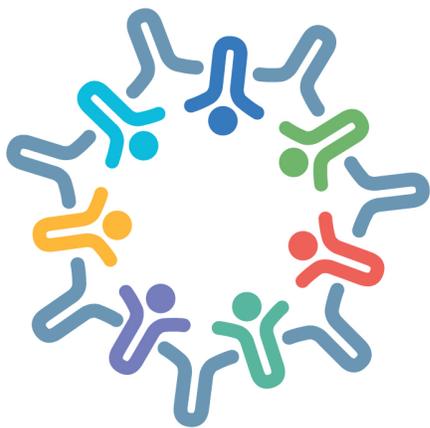
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What is it?

Long COVID is a collection of lingering symptoms devastating the lives of an estimated 25–35% of COVID-19 patients.

Preliminary reports indicate the symptoms and patient experiences contain many similarities to other chronic illnesses known to be associated with viral triggers, such as:

- Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS)
- Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome (POTS)
- Other forms of Dysautonomia
- Mast Cell Activation Syndrome (MCAS)

Long COVID Alliance

Our story begins in 2020, when 21 science, post-viral disease and patient advocacy organizations joined to call for urgent government investment in Long COVID research.

The network of patient-advocates, scientists, disease experts, and drug developers leverage their collective knowledge and resources to educate policy makers and accelerate research to transform our understanding of post-infectious chronic illness.

This successful effort laid the foundation for the Long COVID Alliance, which now has 190 individual members and 91 organizations and company members.

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