



# GET IN. WE'RE CURING ALS

"Be strong, be forceful, be humble but most of all remember that if you lead with honor and integrity, you might just change the world." - Brian Wallach, Co-Founder of I AM ALS

## What's Up With Us

ALS impacts every community. [Tell us how it impacts you.](#)

You may be wondering: Who is that Bitmoji? It's Michael, I AM ALS' community lead organizer!

### Share this Video

This week (and all weeks) we salute our heroes. For I AM ALS, Veterans Day is a key time to raise awareness that veterans are twice as likely to be diagnosed with ALS. Watch and share this video.

TAKE ACTION

## COMMUNITY UPDATES



### Community Outreach Team

Riding on the success of their panel discussion with 45 medical students about the ALS patient and caregiver experience, the team is doing further outreach to additional schools to educate and inspire future doctors. Additionally, we welcomed two new members: Michael and Jill! If you would like to join the ranks of the awesome, [click here.](#)



### Familial ALS Team

Collaboration! Members of the Clinical Trials Team stopped by to discuss the state of genetic testing within trials and clinics. The team also created an action plan to finalize content to compliment [I AM ALS' Genetics and ALS](#) resource page.



### Legislative Affairs Team

The team continued its efforts to get Speaker Pelosi to schedule a floor vote for [H.R.1407](#) (SSDI bill) by contacting her office and their representatives' offices. Another agenda item was to continue gaining cosponsors for ACT for ALS in the House and Senate. Unsure who your representative and senator are and if they support ACT for ALS? [Click here](#).



### Veteran Affairs Team

In the drive to improve patient care, the Veteran Affairs Team met with another member of the VA's ALS executive team. They also took over [I AM ALS' Twitter account](#) on Veteran's Day!



"I just love days that end in "y".  
Why... because I get to live them,  
that's "y". - Juan Reyes, dad, veteran,  
living with ALS

## WHAT'S COMING UP?

NOVEMBER 15-21

### ALS Association Golden West Chapter Event

Champions for Cures and Cares is a virtual event celebrating the ALS community and recognizing extraordinary individuals and organizations whose heroic efforts are accelerating the search for effective treatments and cures for ALS.

Is the Key to Stopping ALS Being Flushed Down Our Toilets?  
Northeast ALS Consortium will chat with Dr. Richard Bedlack  
from Duke ALS Clinic on new ALS discoveries.

[Register](#)

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I AM ALS is a patient-led community that provides critical support and resources to patients, caregivers and loved ones. It empowers advocates to raise mainstream awareness and lead the revolution against ALS in driving the development of cures. Learn more at [iamals.org](http://iamals.org).

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