

# PanCAN Action Week 2021

## Call your members of Congress



**Review and personalize the script below for your call.**

**Don't worry about being an expert. You likely won't be asked any questions, but you do want to be clear about our priorities:**

"My name is [your name], from [your town and state] calling to urge [Senator / Representative] [their last name] to make pancreatic cancer a national priority. I am calling today as part of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network's Action Week with an urgent message: pancreatic cancer patients can't wait.

**[Optional:** Add your personal story about how you have been affected by pancreatic cancer.]

Pancreatic cancer is the third leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States and the five-year survival rate is just 10%. We lose too many people to this disease too quickly.

There is no early detection method and few effective treatment options. A robust federal research investment is the key to making progress against this disease.

Pancreatic cancer patients are counting on you!

As your constituent, I urge you to:

- Invest \$20 million in the Pancreatic Cancer Research Program at the Department of Defense
- Support \$46.11 billion for the NIH, including \$7.6 billion for the NCI

Thank you for your time and consideration."