

Advocacy Toolkit

Ellie's Law Cosponsor Outreach: Email Template

Suggested Subject Line: Cosponsor Request: Ellie's Law

Hi, [Staffer First Name] –

My name is [Full Name], and I'm a constituent in [district / state]. [*Optional:* Mention any other personal details about your constituency; ex. "I've lived in the district for over five years after moving from Texas when I was 25-years-old."]

On behalf of [The Bee Foundation for Brain Aneurysm Prevention \(TBF\)](#), I am writing to urge [Representative NAME / Senator NAME] to sign on to *Ellie's Law* ([H.R. 2678 / S. 1609](#)). As a [state your connection to the cause (ex. brain aneurysm survivor)], I understand first-hand the devastation brain aneurysms cause and the importance of timely and accurate diagnoses. [*Optional:* Please provide additional background on your connection to brain aneurysms and TBF.]

***Ellie's Law* is a bill that would authorize critical federal funding to support brain aneurysm research at the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS).** The bill is championed by Reps. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA), Yvette Clarke (D-NY), John Rutherford (R-FL), Mary Gay Scanlon (D-PA), and Senators Markwayne Mullin (R-OK) and Richard Blumenthal (D-CT).

Nearly **6.8 million Americans**, or **1 in 50 people**, have an unruptured brain aneurysm. Despite its widespread prevalence, the federal government only spends around **\$3** on brain aneurysm research for each person afflicted, significantly less than the funding received to study similar medical conditions. Additional federal investments are necessary to prevent more ruptures and improve interventions. Your support of this legislation will bring us one step closer to ensuring more patients and families do not have to unnecessarily endure the consequences of this life-threatening condition.

Thank you for your consideration of this request, and please feel free to reach out with any questions. [*Optional:* "If helpful, I am also happy to meet virtually to share my story and connection to TBF in more detail."] For additional information about TBF, please reach out to Erin Kreszl (erin@thebeefoundation.org) or Christine Kondra (christine@thebeefoundation.org).

Best,
[Your Full Name]