

**M**RA's Melanoma Exchange Patient Forum brings together melanoma patients, survivors, advocates, caregivers and loved ones to provide lay-friendly, state-of-the-science education, promote collaboration, and provide networking opportunities across the melanoma community.

Patient engagement efforts like MRA's Patient Forum help build a supportive, robust, and collaborative melanoma community, and foster access to critical information to advance informed decision making and provide support to patients across their melanoma journey.



The 2023 patient forum will take place on March 8, in Washington, DC and via livestream. Throughout the event, participants will hear from melanoma experts from across the country and have the opportunity to ask questions, discuss, and, if in-person, network with other people who are facing melanoma. Each session has been designed to provide information, insight, and practical strategies that patients and families need to better navigate melanoma diagnosis, treatment, and beyond.

In 2023, we anticipate that more than 125 in-person, and more than 200 virtual attendees, including a cadre of melanoma advocates at the local level who attend with the explicit intent to bring information back to their communities.

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*MRA's Patient Forum is extremely well organized and provides patients and families with the opportunity to hear from very prominent experts in the field. I left knowing that researchers are working every day to cure this disease.*

-Evaluation Comment

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Following the event, MRA will produce a series of enduring materials including polished videos, articles, and other resources. These will be heavily promoted on social media and through the MRA website.

## 2023 Patient Forum Highlights

- One of the largest gatherings of patients and families facing melanoma in the United States
- More than five presentations from leading melanoma experts
- In-person networking roundtables that will bring participants together with experts to discuss topics of mutual interest
- Sessions will address: the evolving melanoma standard of care, clinical trials and emerging research, treatment of brain metastasis, survivorship, and the importance of wellness throughout the melanoma journey.

The 2023 patient forum is planned as an in-person program. However, we retain the right to transition to a full virtual program to ensure the safety and health of all participants.



# MRA 2023 Patient Forum Sponsorship Opportunities

	Presenting \$25,000	Gold \$12,500	Silver \$5,000
Designation as Presenting Sponsor on forum enduring materials: dedicated page on MRA website, priority placement in edited videos, etc.	✓		
Opportunity to introduce one (1) session or lecture	✓		
Recognition of support via MRA social media	✓	✓	
Recognition from podium at forum start and close	✓	✓	
Opportunity to include one brochure, pamphlet, or other branded item in event participant bag*	✓	✓	
Tiered Logo listing on event landing and registration pages	Presenting	Gold	Silver
Number of in-person registrations (MRA limits attendance of industry representatives to ensure a patient-centered space)	2	1	1

\* Materials for participant bags must be received at MRA offices by 2/15/2023.

## Add-On Opportunities: For more details contact [development@curemelanoma.org](mailto:development@curemelanoma.org)\*\*

Named Patient Forum Travel Scholarships: MRA is committed to providing ten need- and merit-based travel scholarships to melanoma patients, caregivers, and advocates to support their participation. Additional named travel scholarships are sponsorable at \$1,000 per scholarship. Scholarship recipients will be selected via competitive process and identified as recipients of the [sponsor] travel scholarship.	\$1,000 Per Scholarship
Sponsor Hosted Reception / Dinner: MRA will facilitate invitations to Forum attendees for a sponsor-hosted event. Sponsor to arrange all aspects of the event, including agenda, speakers, and venue/transportation/food/beverage. Sponsor may share company specific, branded, or unbranded content with attendees.	\$10,000

\*\*Add on opportunities subject to availability and must be confirmed no later than 1/15/2023.

## About the Melanoma Research Alliance (MRA)

The Melanoma Research Alliance is the largest non-profit funder of melanoma research worldwide. Since its founding in 2007, MRA has granted over \$143 million and leveraged an additional \$415 million towards its mission. Through its support, MRA has championed revolutions in immunotherapy, targeted therapies, novel combinations and diagnostics. Through the generous ongoing support of its founders, 100% of public donations to MRA go directly to melanoma research.