



Young Adult Advocacy Council | General Member Position Description

Accountable to and partners with:

Young Adult Advocacy Council (YAAC) Leadership Team, YAAC Grassroots Leadership Team (GLT) Mentor, and Breakthrough T1D Advocacy staff partners

Responsibilities include:

The Young Adult Advocacy Council is a group of young adults – business and civic professionals as well as students – who actively support the advancement of Breakthrough T1D Advocacy’s priority areas and spread awareness of type 1 diabetes within their communities. Through their involvement, they drive meaningful progress on our path to cures for T1D. Council members support the overall activities of the YAAC and their local Breakthrough T1D Chapters in fulfilling these goals.

Expectations:

- Attend general YAAC meetings each month to stay informed of Council activities and how to engage in advocacy efforts both virtually and in person locally. Each member should strive to miss no more than two meetings per year.
- Take part in the annual initiative alongside fellow YAAC members following the guidance provided by the YAAC Leadership Team.
- Communicate regularly with the YAAC Leadership Team, YAAC GLT Mentor, and Breakthrough T1D Advocacy staff partners.
- In close partnership with your local Advocacy Team Chair (ATC), Grassroots Leadership Team member, and chapter staff, volunteer to help recruit new advocates and staff the Advocacy table at your local Breakthrough T1D Walk, Summit, and other local Breakthrough T1D events.
- Actively engage in Breakthrough T1D’s grassroot campaigns and initiatives – Together We Can (formerly Promise to Remember Me), New Member Outreach Initiative, renewal of the Special Diabetes Program, etc.

- Become an active member of your chapter's Advocacy Committee – which is led by the local ATC – or offer to help facilitate its creation if one does not yet exist, and it strategically and logistically makes sense to do so.
- Complete time-sensitive action alerts and share our calls-to-action and other communications via email and social media.
- Where possible, collaborate with chapter staff to identify, cultivate, and engage local youth and fellow young adults who have expressed an interest in Breakthrough T1D's advocacy work.
- Communicate regularly with those who help you execute your work.
- Spread awareness of the YAAC and recruit new members who will help to enhance the impactful work being done by this group.

Commitment:

YAAC general members should expect to spend two to four hours per month serving in this role, but hours may vary depending on our priorities and activities. This position is for a two-year term, renewable each year thereafter through age 28.

Skills / experience required:

- Interest in advocating for issues that are important to the T1D community.
- Excellent communication, organizational, and creative problem-solving skills.
- Willingness to collaborate in working groups.

Benefits:

- Engagement in Breakthrough T1D Grassroots Advocacy activities with other young adults in the T1D community.
- Networking with like-minded mission-driven leaders.
- Fulfillment from advancing our mission by mobilizing the T1D community and engaging key stakeholders as we work together to create a world without T1D!