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# LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name National Multiple Sclerosis Society			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1100 New York Avenue NW Suite 1015, Washington, D.C. 20005			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: 733 Third Avenue 6th Floor New York State/Zip (or Country) New York/10017-3288			
4. Contact Name	Telephone	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID #
Susan Sanabria	(202) 408-1500	susan.sanabria@nmss.org	6967
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self			6. House ID # 3578

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year \_\_\_\_\_ Midyear (January 1-June 30)  OR Year End (July 1-Dec)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report  ⇒ Termination Date \_\_\_\_\_

11. No Lobbying

## INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

**12. Lobbying Firms**

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000

\$10,000 or more  ⇒ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Income (nearest \$20,000)

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

**13. Organizations**

EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000

\$10,000 or more  ⇒ \$ 210,000  
Expenses (nearest \$20,000)

**14. REPORTING METHOD.** Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description

Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition

Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6115 Internal Revenue Code

Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) Internal Revenue Code

Signature *Susan Sanabria*  
Printed Name and Title Susan Sanabria, Vice President Advocacy Programs Department

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15. General issue area code BUD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

NIH Appropriations -

The Society supports NIH budget doubling efforts and has lobbied Congress in support of NIH funding. The Society has signed joint letters with other health and disability organizations in writing letters to the President and Congress supporting NIH funding; and has urged grassroots activism on this issue.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

White House, President of the United States  
U.S. House  
U.S. Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Susan Sanabria	
Stephanie Simons	
Angela Ostrom	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

Check if None

Signature *Susan Sanabria* Date 2/6/03

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society supports a Medicare prescription drug benefit. In this capacity, we have communicated our priorities for Medicare legislation to Congress and activated our grassroots on this issue.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

U.S. House  
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16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society supports expansion of Medicare regulation to include all four injectible MS therapies. We have supported legislation to correct this issue, HR 5719. In this endeavor, we have contacted Congress, the White House and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

White House  
U.S. House  
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Centers for Medicare and Medicaid

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16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society joined other voluntary health agencies in submitting comments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Hospital Outpatient reimbursement rates, with the goal of ensuring that rate reductions or changes do not disproportionately affect "orphan" therapies.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

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Centers for Medicare and Medicaid

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16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society joined other disability groups in sending a letter to Senate Majority Leader Daschle supporting the home health modernization legislation (S 2085).

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Check if None

U.S. Senate

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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Long-term Care:

The Society, as a member of the National Respite Coalition, supports the Lifespan Respite Care Act of 2002 (S 2489 and HR 5241), and has signed on to letters to Congress about these bills.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

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U.S. Senate  
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16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society joined coalition partners in submitting comments to HHS supporting the patient consent protections to the federal privacy regulations.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

Department of Health and Human Services

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15. General issue area code GOV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society signed on to testimony given to the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Advisory Panel supporting a study of the interplay of the public Vocational Rehabilitation Program and the Ticket to Work program.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

Social Security Administration

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15. General issue area code TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society believes that charitable giving legislation is needed to encourage donations to nonprofit organizations. In this effort, the Society signed on to letters of support for the Charity, Aid, Recovery and Empowerment Act (S 1924). This letter was sent to Senate Majority Leader Daschle and Senate Minority Leader Lott.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

U.S. Senate

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16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society joined in a letter to the Social Security Administration supporting greater attention and resolution of the SSA disability appeals backlog, attention to denial rates, and expansion of individuals ability to present evidence in the hearings process.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society joined in a letter Senate leaders opposing efforts to reduce access to care.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

U.S. Senate

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15. General issue area code HOU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Society joined in a letter endorsing legislation supporting accessible housing (HR 5683).

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

U.S. House

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**Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.**

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip (or Country) \_\_\_\_\_

22. New general description of client's business or activities

**LOBBYIST UPDATE**

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is no longer expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

**ISSUE UPDATE**

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that no longer pertain

**AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Busin (city and state or coun

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is no longer affiliated with the registrant or client

**FOREIGN ENTITIES**

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	C p c

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that no longer owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant affiliated organization

Signature *Walter Sanchez* Date 2/6/03

