



Benefits of Membership

The primary benefit of NSDA membership is a sense of belonging – a sense of connectedness with others facing similar obstacles, others who truly “get it”. As a community, we realize the critical impact of joining together with other SD people to make ourselves heard. The NSDA is here for all of us. As the only organization in the world dedicated solely to Spasmodic Dysphonia, the NSDA needs you!

Why should I join the NSDA?

Sponsoring research – your chance to help make a difference

The NSDA launched a new research program to help bring us closer to understanding the cause of SD. This program is designed to encourage scientists to devote their time and skills to this rare disorder and develop a clearer understanding, better treatments and ultimately a cure for SD.

The NSDA serves as a clearinghouse for information related to SD

Whether you need info about treatments, employment and interviews with SD, or disability insurance, the NSDA is a remarkable resource. We know that SD can impact various facets of life, posing what may seem like insurmountable obstacles to happiness and success. NSDA is here to make this transition as easy as possible.

The opportunity to connect with others with SD

Who better to understand what it’s like to face SD than another individual with the disorder? NSDA provides many opportunities to connect with others – through in-person support groups, annual and regional Symposiums, a bulletin board; the feeling you get when you know someone else “gets it” can be a rare one for someone with SD. NSDA makes that possible!

Speak out for Spasmodic Dysphonia – a chance to be active in the SD community

Would you like to start a support group? Host a fundraising event? Increase awareness about SD in your community? Participate in research? Support new patients? Visit members of Congress on Capitol Hill to discuss the importance of increased funding for research? Have an idea? Contact us. NSDA is here to help you get your voice out there.

Let’s make ourselves heard: The NSDA tells the world about SD

Years ago, it often took 5, 10 or even 20 years to get a diagnosis for SD. Today, patients are diagnosed in a matter of weeks or months. Spearheaded in 1989 by a group of dedicated individuals in Birmingham, Michigan, NSDA has grown to an international presence with thousands of contacts all over the globe. It put SD on the map and gives us a voice – it gives us hope for a future.

The NSDA is a powerful force and one that is made stronger by each individual member.

Will you join us?