



— Dermatology Foundation —

VISIONARY SOCIETY





“ The DF is absolutely critical to the specialty. It was designed by dermatologists, for dermatologists, to help advance knowledge and patient care. When we make Visionary Society commitments, **we enable the Foundation to provide essential support long into the future.** ”

Elizabeth I. McBurney, M.D.

Leave a legacy that moves dermatology forward.

Over the course of your career in dermatology, you have seen the power and promise of our specialty: how the expert care of a dermatologist can change patients' lives, and how new research and a greater understanding of skin diseases lead to powerful new therapies.

You have also witnessed extraordinary progress in our specialty. Now, as you consider all that our field has accomplished, you have an opportunity to be an essential part of its future.

Many groundbreaking developments and life-changing treatments are still ahead of us, and they depend on the investments we make in research today. The Dermatology Foundation Visionary Society invites you to leave a legacy that changes what is possible for patients far into the future.

The Dermatology Foundation Visionary Society

When you choose to become a member of the Visionary Society, you:

1. Invest in new knowledge that will change patients' lives for generations to come
2. Further the field of dermatology as expert leaders in the care of skin, hair, and nails
3. Ensure innovative ideas can be fully explored by promising investigators

The Visionary Society was created for forward-thinking individuals who have made the personal decision to include the Dermatology Foundation in their estate plans. We recognize that these decisions reflect what they care most deeply about and the legacy they want to leave for others. There is no more lasting or meaningful way to give back and to invest in our future.

All estate gifts are invested in the DF Research Endowment Fund, where they are managed to deliver reliable funding in perpetuity. Every year, the DF uses annual allocations from this Fund to invest in research with the greatest potential to lead to new treatments.

This means that throughout the future of our specialty—through developments we cannot even imagine today—each visionary gift accelerates the development of treatments for every skin disease and disorder.



“ After decades of working to develop the next generation of dermatologists, I feel **there is no greater gift** I can leave than an investment in the promising research they will do to transform patient care in the future. ”

Bruce U. Wintroub, M.D.



“ My husband Adrian and I have always made it a priority to support charitable organizations that make a profound difference—and the DF is one of them. For years, the Foundation has helped expand the tools physicians use to treat patients. Making a commitment to **an estate gift is such a meaningful way for us to ensure the specialty can fully realize the powerful advancements I know are still ahead of us.** ”

Kishwer S. Nehal, M.D.

Including the Dermatology Foundation in **your estate plans.**

There are a variety of ways to support the Dermatology Foundation in your estate plans. The most common and simplest option is a charitable bequest, i.e. naming the Foundation as a beneficiary in your will or a revocable living trust. A bequest can be written to fit your and your family's needs and can take the form of a specific dollar amount or percentage of your estate. A charitable bequest allows you to retain the assets and make changes to your beneficiaries throughout your life. This gift could also reduce the size of your taxable estate.

You may also designate the DF as a beneficiary on your retirement plan, life insurance policy, charitable trust, or other financial investment. Your attorney can help you select an approach that best fits your personal and charitable goals.

Share Your Bequest with the DF

Once your estate plan is in place, please be sure to formally advise the Dermatology Foundation of your decision to become a Visionary Society member. Simply complete and return the enclosed intention form. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with any questions.



“ For me, including the Dermatology Foundation in my will is a way to leave a lasting legacy and to support every dermatologist’s ability to provide the best possible care. If not me, then who? **I’m proud and honored to support the DF in this way and encourage others to do the same.** What an impact we all could have! ”

Renée J. Mathur, M.D.

Thank you for considering a Visionary Society commitment.

The Dermatology Foundation enables advancements in patient care by supporting the early innovative research of promising physician-scientists and other investigators.

Established in 1964, the DF is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.



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