



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Rare Diseases and Orphan Products Breakthrough Summit®?

The Rare Diseases and Orphan Products Breakthrough Summit, or NORD Breakthrough Summit, is one of the premiere and largest multi-stakeholder events in the rare disease community. The two-day conference brings together members of the rare disease community from across the globe, including rare disease experts and leaders from patient advocacy groups, government, industry, and academia to share new insights, network in a positive and practical environment, and discuss critical topics in the rare diseases and orphan products field.

When is the event and who can attend?

The NORD Breakthrough Summit will be held Monday, October 26 and Tuesday, October 27, 2026, with a welcome reception on Sunday, October 25, 2026. All are welcome to attend! The audience for the NORD Breakthrough Summit typically includes representatives of patient organizations, academic and industry researchers, regulators, health care providers and other stakeholders from all sectors of the rare disease community.

Is the event in person or virtual?

The event will be held in-person at the Grand Hyatt in downtown Washington, DC. NORD is committed to the comfort, health and safety of all attendees. Please visit our [website](#) for the latest information on the Summit's health and safety protocols.

What does it cost to attend?

Pricing for the 2026 NORD Breakthrough Summit can be found on the [event website](#). We try our best to keep costs reasonable and accessible for the entire rare disease community, while also providing a worthwhile and memorable experience for attendees. Register early to take advantage of available discounted rates!

What is the agenda for the program?

Visit the [website](#) often as the agenda will be updated regularly.

Will CME credits be available?

At this time, the Summit is not accredited for CME credits. Though health care professionals are invited, all program content is relevant to all rare disease stakeholders, including patient advocacy leaders, academic and industry researchers, and regulators.

How can I post about NORD Summit on social media?

Use the hashtag #NORDSummit and feel free to tweet at NORD ([@rarediseases](#)), tag us on Instagram ([@nord_rare](#)), or share content from our [Facebook page](#).

Is the event open to the press?

Yes, the NORD Breakthrough Summit is free and open to registered members of the media. Visit our media guidelines on the website to learn more about how to register as a member of the press.

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