THE CARE & FEEDING OF RESEARCH ADVOCATES

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RESEARCH ADVOCATE
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A FABLE
ADVOCATES PARTNERING WITH RESEARCHERS

• Effective
• Essential
SELECTING ADVOCATES

- PHD – Personal History of Disease - as a patient or caregiver
- Connected to and represent their communities. It
- Advocates should not be researchers
CONDUCTING THE ADVOCATE PROGRAM

Include advocates from the start

Acknowledge Advocate’s work. Include them in presentations

Develop a mentorship program
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BE PATIENT

GREAT ACTS ARE MADE UP OF SMALL DEEDS – LAO TZU
THANK YOU

Advocates:
• Cheryl Jernigan
• Christine Hodgdon
• Julia Mauers