Our Community Shares the Value Message of Eye and Vision Research

On February 1, NAEVR participated in a Science Coalition briefing breakfast featuring Jennifer Miller, staff member of the House Appropriations Committee, chaired in the 109th Congress by Cong. Jerry Lewis (R-CA). She described the Committee’s reorganization and advised attendees that “if you want to hold your own in the next few challenging budget years, then continued communication with the Hill now is more important than ever.”

On February 9, NAEVR participated in the Foundation Fighting Blindness (FFB) For the Love of Sight Valentine’s Party, attended by key Members of the Administration and Congress, such as newly confirmed Health and Human Services Secretary Michael Levitt and Cong. Jerry Lewis (R-CA).

On March 10, Prevent Blindness America held a briefing in conjunction with the Congressional Vision Caucus entitled Saving Sight, Preserving Hope that described the National Vision Loss Prevention Program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Representatives of Prevent Blindness Ohio discussed their efforts within this program to identify many cases of undiagnosed and untreated eye diseases.