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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name

National Multiple Sclerosis Society

2. Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported

3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2)

1100 New York Avenue Suite 660 — Washington DC 20005

City: · State/zip (or Country)

4. Contact Name	Telephone	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID #
Susan Sanabria	(202) 408-1500	susan.sanabria@nmss.org	69674-12

7. Client Name ☑ Self — 6. House ID # 35789000

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2005 Midyear (January 1-June 30) ☑ **OR** Year End (July 1-Decemb

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report ☐

10. Check if this is a Termination Report ☐ ⇨ Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Ac

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 **OR** Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than $10,000 ☐

$10,000 or more ☐ ⇨ $ _____
Income (nearest $20,000)

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest $20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

13. Organizations

EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than $10,000 ☐

$10,000 or more ☑ ⇨ $ 60,000
Expenses (nearest $20,000)

14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expens accounting method. See instructions for description of option

☑ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions o

☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8 Internal Revenue Code

☐ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of Internal Revenue Code

Signature Susan Sanabria Date 8/12/05

Susan Sanabria, Vice President Advocacy Programs Department

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15. General issue area code BUD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Public Health Funding and Function 550-

The Society joined partner organizations in urging Members of Congress and the President to increase discretionary spending for public health through the Function 550 budget allocation in Fiscal Year 2006 by $3.5 billion. The Society views this investment as critical to improving the health, safety and security of our nation.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

White House
U.S. Senate
U.S. House

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
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Angela Ostrom	

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Medicare Wheelchair Coverage -

The Society met with members of Congress urging support ammending the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services National Coverage Determination to include coverage for power wheelchairs and scooters to those eligibile for Medicare benefits. The Society supported letters from members of Congress to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid on this issue.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives
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16. Specific lobbying issues

NIH Funding-

The Society met with members of Congress urging increased budget allocations for the National Institute of Health. The Society supports a 6% increase for NIH to ensure adequate funding and maintain leadership and progress in Multiple Sclerosis research.

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Fiscal Medicaid Cuts -

The Society joined partner organizations by signing on to a letter requesting no cuts or changes be made to Medicaid that would alter the fundamental structure of the program for fiscal year 2006. The Society expressed concern that any cuts to this critical program will impair the benefits vulnerable Americans receive, diminish the program's ability to meet the growing need for health coverage for low-income children, parents, seniors, pregnant women, and people with disabilities.

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White House

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16. Specific lobbying issues

Smith-Bingaman Amendment -

In a letter to the U.S. Senate, the Society joined the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities to urge support of the Smith-Bingaman Amenment during floor consideration of the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget Resolution. This amendment would restore the $15 billion Medicaid cut that is assumed in the Budget Committee's reconciliation instruction and create a bipartisan commission to conduct a comprehensive review to determine how to improve service delivery and quality in the most cost-effective way possible under Medicaid.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ❑ Check if None

U.S. Senate

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16. Specific lobbying issues

Smith-Bingaman Amendment -

The Society joined Families USA in a letter to thank U.S. Senators for their support of the Smith-Bingaman Amendment, which stuck Medicaid Cuts from the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget Resolution.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ❑ Check if None

U.S. Senate

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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act -

The Society joined in a letter addressing concerns of benefit-specific waiting periods. Critical protections provided by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) would be violated with these waiting periods.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

Internal Revenue Service, Courier's Desk
U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Health and Human Services

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16. Specific lobbying issues

Medicaid Cuts -

The Society joined Families USA in a letter to Budget Committee Members and conferees urging them to support the bi-partisan Smith-Bingaman Amendment. This would protect the Medicaid program by striking all cuts to the budget and establishing a Medicaid Commisson.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

TennCare Waiver -

In a letter to Secretary McClellan, the Society joined the Arc expressing grave concerns about the Section 1115 TennCare Waiver Amendment. This waiver would establish an extremely troubling precedent for Medicaid beneficiaries nationwide, including the request for "pre-approval" authority to make significant unspecified changes in the program and far-reaching changes to the pharmacy benefit.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

Department of Health and Human Services, Secretary Mark McClellan

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15. General issue area code CIV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Federal Consent Decree Fairness Act -

The Society joined the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities in a letter to urge Congress to oppose the Federal COnsent Decree Fairness Act. The Society believes this legislation contradicts the spirit and protections of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate

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15. General issue area code DIS (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Social Security Hearing -

In an effort to express the importance of Social Security to people living with disabilities, the Society joined the Social Security Task Force of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities to testify before the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Social Security.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Medicare Fact Sheet -

The Society joined partner organizations in support of H.R. 2869/S. 1217, the "Ending the Medicare Two year Waiting Period Act of 2005."

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ❑ Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives
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15. General issue area code DIS (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Respite Care -

The Society met with members of Congress to support introduction of H.R. 3248/S. 1283. The Society supports policies that create quality, accessible, affordable, and comprehensive long-term care services and encourages policies that promote increased access to respite care services as well as expanded respite care subsidies for people with lower incomes.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ❑ Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate

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15. General issue area code HOU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

HUD Section 811 -

The Society met with members of Congress to urge support of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 811 Program. This program funds the construction of low-income, accessible housing and provides rent subsidies for those units.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate

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15. General issue area code FAM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Family Medical Leave Act -

The Society signed on to a letter with the Arc urging the Secretary of the Department of Labor not to make any regulatory changes that would undercut the critical protections the Family Medical Leave Act provides to working women, men and their families. Since the enactment of the FMLA, more than 50 million Americans have taken job-protected leave to bond with a new baby, care for a seriously ill family member, or recuperate from their own serious illness.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ❑ Check if None

U.S. Department of Labor, Secretary Chao

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Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City State/Zip (or Country)

22. New general description of client's business or activites

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is **no longer** expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

Stephanie Simons

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that **no longer** pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Busine (city and state or country

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is **no longer** affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Owr perc clier

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that **no longer** owns, **or** controls, **or** is affiliated with the registrant, clien affiliated organization

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