



Send a Letter to Your Legislator in Four Easy Steps

Session ends Friday, February 21 so send your letter today!

Step 1 Select and copy the text of the letter below.

Step 2 To find your legislators, [click here](#).

Select "Search by your address" in the House or Senate column

Add your address including city. Click on "Search."

Step 3 Click on the legislator's name. This opens an email addressed to the legislator.

Step 4 Paste the text of the letter into the email. You're encouraged to add a few lines to personalize your message, edit to your liking or write your own letter. Add the legislator's name in the blank and yours at the bottom. Send your email.

Repeat these steps for your other legislator. [Let us know](#) if you get a reply from your legislator.

Dear Senator/Representative _____,

As a constituent affected by Parkinson's Disease, I'm asking for your support to fund staff, equipment and an operations budget for the Jamie Koch Movement Disorders Center at UNM. This funding is included in the General Appropriations Act—House Bill 189 and Senate Bill 189 (page 135, lines 16-18).

Thanks to the New Mexico legislature, this Center had its groundbreaking in November and now I'm asking you to support additional funding to complete the project.

For many years, our state has had only three specially trained neurologists to treat an estimated 5,300 New Mexicans living with Parkinson's. With these additional funds, the center can attract more neurology specialists and other professionals needed to form comprehensive, patient-centered care teams.

Recently medical research has made great advances in understanding the genetic causes of lung cancer and sickle cell anemia. Ongoing personalized treatment has cured some people.

This is my hope—that a cure for Parkinson's is found. Researchers at UNM's center could help make that happen.

Please support this funding. Thank you so much!

Sincerely,