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North American Neuroendocrine Tumor Society (NANETS)

The North American Neuroendocrine Tumor Society (NANETS) is a 501(C)3 nonprofit professional medical society working to raise awareness of neuroendocrine tumor (NET) disease across the continent through the education of medical professionals. NANETS was founded by Lawrence Kvols, MD, and James Yao, MD, on February 21, 2007.

NANETS envisions a future where every medical professional in North America is educated about NET disease and equipped to identify it early in patients, recognizing this as the most effective approach to combatting this rare condition.

Every NET patient deserves the opportunity to work with a multidisciplinary team of medical professionals that can best manage their illness. As a part of that vision, NANETS' mission is to improve neuroendocrine tumor disease diagnosis, treatment and management through increased research and educational opportunities. This organization serves medical professionals of the NET community through professional medical education conferences, consensus meetings, NET Guidelines and annual research grant awards.

NANETS is the only organization of its kind in North America and continues to expand its reach. To date, the organization has nearly 600 medical professional dues paying members who range from doctors, allied health care professionals, fellows, residents and students. As a result of its diverse member base, NANETS connects experts in the field of NETs with early career medical professionals for mentorship and guidance.

This devotion to nurturing the next generation of NET research is further emphasized by NANETS' annual request for grant applications. To date, NANETS has provided 33 grant awards to young medical professionals. In 2024, the organization will give out four research grants to applicants in the first five years of their faculty appointment. 2024 grants include the Basic/Translational Science Investigator Award, NANETS Clinical Investigator Scholarship, NANETS Theranostics Investigator Grant and NANETS Young Investigator Award. Over 500 medical professionals attend NANETS' annual Multidisciplinary NET Disease Symposium and hundreds more attend the numerous one-day, comprehensive Regional NET Education Conferences that take place across the continent each year. These educational opportunities allow NANETS to bring the latest in cutting-edge research to medical professionals across North America.