



September 9-11, 2026 / Boston, Mass

# RARE Drug Development SYMPOSIUM



Advocates Powering Research

## Day 1 - Wednesday, September 9

**8:00am - 9:30am**

Registration and Continental Breakfast  
Networking/Roundtables

**8:30am - 9:30am**

Expert Office Hours

**9:30am - 9:45am**

Welcome from Charlene Son Rigby, CEO, Global Genes

**9:45am - 10:45am**

Opening Keynote

**11:00am - 12:00pm**

Session 1: From Data to Insights that Advance Therapy Development and Readiness

**12:00pm - 1:30pm**

Lunch with Session 1 Interactive Group Breakouts

**1:45pm - 2:45pm**

Session 2: Therapeutic Timeline Deep Dive: Synergies and Handoffs that Matter Most

**3:00pm - 4:30pm**

Session 2 Interactive Group Breakouts

**4:45pm - 7:00pm**

Welcome Reception - Expo, Networking and Success Stories

*\*agenda subject to change*

## **Day 2 - Thursday, September 10**

### **8:00am - 8:30am**

Registration and Continental Breakfast  
Networking

### **8:30am - 8:45am**

Day 1 Recap with Charlene Son Rigby, CEO, Global Genes

### **8:45am - 9:45am**

Session 3: Successes and Lessons Learned from Recent Rare Disease Drug Approvals and Clinical Trials

### **9:45am - 10:15am**

Session 4: Regulatory Update: Innovative Paths to Therapy Development and Scalability

### **10:45am - 11:45am**

Session 5: Market Access for Rare and Ultrarare Communities: We Can't Wait Until the Approval Comes

### **11:45am - 1:00pm**

Session 3 - 5 Interactive Group Breakouts

### **1:00pm - 3:00pm**

Lunch - Networking / Roundtables / Expo

### **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Expert Office Hours

### **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Session 6: Clinical Trials Early & Often—Next Level Frameworks

### **4:30pm - 5:30pm**

Closing Day Keynote: From Silos to Systems: Building the Coordinated Rare Ecosystem

### **5:30pm - 7:30pm**

Networking Reception

## Day 3 - Friday, September 11

### **8:00am - 9:00am**

Registration and Continental Breakfast  
Networking / Roundtables

### **9:00am - 9:30am**

Day 3 Kickoff: De-Risking Your Disease to Attract and Sustain Investment

### **9:30am - 10:30am**

Pitch Perfect Session - Main Stage

### **11:00am - 12:30pm**

Pitch Sessions by Disease Areas

### **12:30pm - 4:00pm\***

Corporate Alliance Meeting

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