# **2022 D.C. Leadership Conference and Legislative Seminar**

# **Hill Etiquette Panel with Claire Stanley and Swatha Nandhakumar**

**For a successful meeting with your members of Congress, make sure you can answer the following questions:**

1. **What issues do you want the Congressmember to know about?**
2. **Is there a specific piece of legislation you want to be introduced or supported?**
3. **Has the bill been introduced yet? If so, by whom?**
4. **Does it have bipartisan support?**
5. **How expensive will the program be? What will it cost? (You don’t need to know an exact number here.)**
6. **Are there constituents in the Congressmember’s jurisdiction that are impacted by the issue?**
7. **Do you have any research or statistics to back up what you are saying?**
8. **What committee would the bill likely be sent to?**
9. **Are we the same as the other blindness groups they’ve spoken with? How are we different? (They conflate ACB with NFB.)**
10. **Are there any other issues the Congressmember should be aware of?**