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## **Announcing the Re-launch of ACL.gov**

Tomorrow, May 4, ACL plans to launch our redesigned website.

This launch is really a first step in overhauling our site, and it accomplishes two primary things. The first is behind-the-scenes. This site is built using software that will make it much easier for us to share information quickly. That software also includes dramatic improvements in search capabilities, which we hope will make it much easier for people to find what they're looking for.

We also reorganized the content on our site to make it easier for people who are not familiar with ACL to find the information they need, and also to better illustrate the work we do. We know we probably haven't gotten the program category names quite right, and we're looking for feedback there. We also know we need to do a lot of content updating and reworking.

We added a page to the site that helps explain how the site is structured. Once the site is launched, you will be able to access that page at [www.acl.gov/welcome](http://www.acl.gov/welcome)

One thing that was absolutely critical as we built the site was accessibility and usability, and we believe the site can be used by everyone. We have tested it extensively with software, but more important, actual users have navigated through the site without difficulty. If you have a different experience, please let us know. We'll get you the information you're looking for and work to fix the issue.

Unfortunately, if you have bookmarked pages within our existing site, those links will no longer work. If you cannot find what you're looking for through the navigation menus or the search feature, please write to us at [aclinfo@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:aclinfo@acl.hhs.gov) and we'll try to get you what you need.

We're excited about this launch, but we know it is far from perfect. It would be great to know what you like and what you don't like, and anything we don't have that you'd like to be able to find here. This will be a work in progress for some time, and your input will help us make it better.

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