



International Endocrinology Association Enlists Actress Katee Sackhoff To Promote Thyroid Disease Awareness

Thy Life Campaign Emphasizes the Importance of Thyroid Health Throughout Every Stage of Life

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.--(January 17, 2014) – Marking the 20th consecutive year conducting activities to raise awareness about thyroid disease, the [American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists \(AACE\)](#) and its scientific, educational and charitable arm, the [American College of Endocrinology \(ACE\)](#), are partnering with actress Katee Sackhoff in 2014 to promote understanding of the vital role thyroid health plays in our well-being.

A thyroid cancer survivor who was diagnosed and treated for the condition at age 27, Sackhoff will be joining nationally recognized thyroid expert Dr. Jeffrey Garber for a satellite media tour Wednesday, January 23rd (January is Thyroid Awareness Month) to advance knowledge about thyroid disease. She also will be appearing in “Thy Life” public service announcements calling attention to the importance of thyroid health at every stage of life.

“Despite its importance to the proper functioning of so many body processes, the vital role the thyroid plays, as well as the signs and symptoms of thyroid disease, remain a mystery to many people,” Dr. Garber said. “By partnering with such a popular, recognizable personality such as Katee, we hope to impact the 15 million Americans who suffer with undiagnosed thyroid disease that could lead to serious health issues.”

Sackhoff is perhaps best known for playing Capt. Kara “Starbuck” Thrace for four seasons on the Sci Fi Channel’s “*Battlestar Galactica*” and Dana Walsh on the Fox series “24.” She recently starred with Vin Diesel in action thriller “*Riddick*” and is currently cast as deputy Victoria “Vick” Moretti on A&E original television series, “*Longmire*.”

For more information about the thyroid gland, its function, and symptoms of thyroid disease, AACE and ACE invite you to visit www.thyroidawareness.com.

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