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## WPC eNews

Happy New Year! It is officially 2016 and we are just 257 days away from the start of the 4th World Parkinson Congress in Portland, Oregon from September 20 to 23. On Tuesday, September 20 we'll open the doors to [three pre-congress courses](#). These three courses will help set the tone for the rest of the Congress and have been very popular in past WPCs. In order to get a seat in one of the courses, you can request a ticket during the registration process. They are free to attend for those who register for the Congress, but they will require a ticket to get in.

We are thrilled to share with you the [WPC 2016 Provisional Program](#). The WPC 2016 Program Committee has organized an informative and comprehensive program featuring a diverse group of experts in the field of Parkinson's disease and movement disorders. We invite you to meet us in Portland and take part in what is sure to be an unforgettable learning experience. Be sure to take advantage of the discounted early registration prices beginning on January 11, 2016. [Visit our website to view full registration details.](#)

### **Call for Volunteers**

Calling all volunteers! WPC 2016 needs committed and energetic individuals, who can be available at least 5 hours in row each day during the Congress. In exchange for their time, volunteers will receive free WPC 2016 registration and a rewarding experience with the

global Parkinson's community. [Learn about the WPC 2016 volunteer roles and how to apply.](#)

### **Portland Countdown podcast**

The first podcast of 2016 is available today! Co-hosts Dave Iverson and Jon Palfreman interview Professor Christine Klein, head of the Institute of Neurogenetics at the University of Luebeck, on **Genetics & PD**. [Listen to this, and other, informative and FREE podcasts.](#)

### **WPC 2016 Book Nook**

The new WPC **Book Nook** will allow delegates to learn about and thumb through books about Parkinson's. If you are the author of a recently published book (past two to three years) about Parkinson's, [submit an application to have your book\(s\) considered for display in the Book Nook.](#) You do not have to be present at the WPC 2016 to have your book displayed in this space.

### **WPC 2016 Buddies Program**

Along with registration and housing, the WPC Buddies Program will open on January 11.

The WPC Buddies Program, supported by the Northwest Parkinson Foundation, is an initiative to strengthen the global Parkinson's community by connecting WPC registrants from around the world. Only WPC 2016 Registrants with Parkinson's and care partners can apply for a Buddy at this time. [Learn about the Buddies Program.](#)

### **WPC 2016 Renewal Room**

The Renewal Room will be a safe and dynamic space open to all delegates where they can take a break from the scientific sessions to experience short interactive classes on yoga, dance, laughter, singing and more. If you have a special skill or talent you would like to share with delegates, [apply to host a renewal room session!](#) Please note that this is a highly competitive application process. Apply only if you are planning to attend the WPC 2016.

### **WPC Welcomes New Partner!**

The [Parkinson & Movement Disorder Alliance](#) is our newest Organizational Partner. View our full list of 177 Organizational Partners.

## **Registration & Housing opens Jan. 11th!**

We would like to formally invite you to attend the 4th World Parkinson Congress in Portland, Oregon from September 20-23, 2016. Early bird registration and housing opens January 11, 2016. As we have offered for past WPCs, registration fees are on a sliding scale. [View the full list of](#)

[registration categories and fees here.](#)

During the registration process, if needed, delegates will be able to reserve housing in the WPC hotel room blocks. These rooms are at a preferential conference rate for WPC delegates. [Learn more about the WPC hotel room blocks.](#)

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## Upcoming Events



### [Partners in Parkinson's Phoenix\\*](#)

January 30, 2016

Scottsdale, AZ USA

*\*Meet WPC 2016 Advocates for Parkinson Committee Co-Chair Jean Burns!*

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Interested in supporting the Congress?

Download the [WPC 2016 Support & Exhibition Prospectus.](#)



## Power Through Project

The **Power Through Project (PTP)** has officially launched! The World Parkinson Coalition, in collaboration with the Brian Grant Foundation invites you to exercise your way from Montreal (site of the WPC 2013) to Portland, OR (site of the WPC 2016). This exciting and innovative global Parkinson's movement was designed to inspire the Parkinson's community to get *moving* and to raise awareness about Parkinson's disease.

**Register and build a team** today! Learn more about the project by clicking below.

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