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*Bringing the Parkinson's
Community Together*



WPC eNews

The WPC 2016 will launch in just over six months, have you made your plans to join us? Hotels in our housing blocks are filling up, some are even sold out already! Be sure to register soon to book your preferred space. **Register TODAY!**

Is a delegation from your community joining us in Portland? Send us a photo of your group! We've heard from #TeamAlberta and #TeamMalaysia...what about your delegation? We look forward to bringing the global Parkinson's community together to learn about the newest advances in Parkinson's disease research, treatment and quality of life management. Working together, rather than in silos, we can unlock the mysteries of Parkinson's and get to a cure faster.

Have you seen the **Provisional Program**? It's jam packed. We know the daily schedule at the Congress may seem a bit overwhelming with the scientific program, Renewal Room activities, Exhibit Hall, Book Nook, Posters, and special evening events. Make sure to take time to look through the schedule so you can get a sense of what you want to do each day. If you have burning questions about the Congress, join us this week for a public web discussion with WPC 2016 Ambassadors Allison Smith and Andrew Curran. They will take your questions to help you get ready for the Congress. Learn more about the call below.

Find a WPC Buddy!

The WPC 2016 Buddies Coordinators are already corresponding with WPC registrants looking for a Buddy. Register for the WPC 2016 and become a Parkinson's Buddy today. [Learn more about the Buddies program.](#) In order to get "matched" for a buddy, you must register and then complete our online application. What are you waiting for? This was an incredibly successful program in 2013, don't miss out!

NEW Portland Countdown available for download!

This month's podcast is titled "Beyond Motor Symptoms." This podcast focuses on the non-motor symptoms of Parkinson's disease and why it has taken so long for researchers to focus on these challenges. Co-hosts Dave Iverson and Jon Palfreman interview Dr. K. Ray Chaudhuri, Consultant Neurologist and Professor in Neurology/Movement Disorders at Kings College and Institute of Psychiatry, London. [Listen to this FREE podcast here!](#)

Abstract Submission for the WPC 2016

Abstract Submission closes on Monday, April 25, 2016. The WPC 2016 will accept abstracts from health professionals engaged in research as well as from non-scientists who are involved in activities and programs that are creating change for the PD community. [Learn more about abstract submission topics and guidelines.](#)

WPC Welcomes New Partners!

The WPC welcomes InMotion, GZ Sobol's Parkinson's Network and Parkinson Patients Support Organization- Ethiopia as our newest Organizational Partners. [Learn more about the WPC Organizational Partners.](#)

WPC 2016 Travel Grants

Applications are now open for all three Travel Grant groups:

- (1) those who reside OUTSIDE Oregon/SW WA
- (2) to those who reside in Oregon/SW Washington region
- (3) PwP, Care Partners & Support Group Facilitators who reside in British Columbia, Canada



Click below to learn about WPC 2016 travel grants.

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Upcoming Events



Support the Congress!

WPC 2016 Ambassador Call

Hosted By

Allison Smith (USA) & Andrew Curran (Ireland)



Thursday, March 3rd at 12 PM ET/ 9 AM PT/ 5 PM UK

Join us and ask your questions about the WPC 2016!

Get your questions answered by WPC Ambassadors Andrew Curran (UK) and Allison Smith (USA) on the March 3rd "Ask the Ambassadors" call.

This informational call offers a chance to ask any questions about the Congress.

Thursday, March 3 at 12 PM ET/9 AM CT. Learn how to join the call by clicking below.

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WPC 2016 Social Events

As you prepare for your journey to Portland for the WPC 2016 and review the Provisional Program, be sure to take note of the Social Program. There will be a number of educational & social events taking place *before* WPC 2016 schedule even begins, so plan to arrive in Portland early and check out some of these activities.

Click below to learn more about this schedule of events. More information on each event is coming soon!

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