



Announcement Newsletter

In this special edition of our newsletter, we are excited to share a variety of opportunities for our community to engage with our upcoming programs, including a potential Family Days event. We will also highlight upcoming virtual events, celebrate recent community achievements, and provide updates on changes to some of our existing programs. Our April newsletter will be scheduled as normal!



Tea with LU Update

Tea with LU is undergoing an exciting refresh. Moving forward, sessions will be held twice per month. As in the past, one session will continue to be community-led, while the second session will now focus on specific topics, such as the four types of lipodystrophy and experiences of youth living with lipodystrophy. Each month's topics will be announced at the beginning of the month. We invite you to join us for our first session under this new format on May 6th! Register using the link below.

Register for Tea with LU

Lunch and Learn

Insulin Resistance, Diabetes, & Lipodystrophy

Join Dr. Stephen Stone for lunch and learn on Saturday, April 26th, at 12 PM Central! Register by clicking the button below.



Register for Lunch and Learn
with Dr. Stone

Family Days

We're exploring the idea of hosting a Family Day in Dallas this June, and we'd love to know if you're interested in attending!

We're also planning **two additional Family Days later this year**—one in **Washington, D.C.** and one in **Michigan**. If you live near any of these areas, we'd love to hear from you.

If you're interested in any of these events, please email us at **info@lipodystrophyunited.org**. We'd appreciate your feedback on:

- Which location you're interested in
- Your date availability
- Contact information
- Number of people in your group

Register to our Family Days



NLA Updates and More

Next month, Lipodystrophy United will be attending the National Lipid Association Scientific Sessions. This is a valuable opportunity for us to connect with physicians and raise awareness about lipodystrophy. Information about the conference will be shared in April's newsletter. We are also proud to announce that our own Sharon Halperin will be presenting our new Lipodystrophy United abstract at the conference (read more about it below). To help us make the most of this important event, we are asking our community to support us in a few key ways outlined below.

Sharon Halperin



NLA Abstract

We'd like to highlight Sharon's abstract again before she presents it at the NLA conference! We are beyond proud of Sharon's accomplishments. Read the paper by clicking the link below.

[Read the abstract here](#)



Calling All Local Families

Will you be in or around North Miami from May 29 to June 1? If so, join us for a community dinner! Email us at info@lipodystrophyunited.org to find out more information (with the subject "NLA Community Dinner"). Please provide any dietary restrictions (such as vegetarianism) and allergies, so that we can plan accordingly. We cannot wait to see you there!

Help Us Create a Community Picture Book

We're creating something special — and we'd love for you to be a part of it!

Lipodystrophy United is putting together a **community picture book** that will be showcased at the **National Lipid Association (NLA) Conference** this May, as well as other conferences and educational materials. This project is an opportunity to visually represent the strength, diversity, and resilience of our community to healthcare providers, researchers, and advocates.

If you'd like to be included, please send us:

- A **high-quality photo/s** of yourself (solo shots preferred, but family or friends can be included if you wish!)
- A **brief description** (2-3 sentences) sharing your lipodystrophy type and a little about your journey or experience.
 - **Please include** who diagnosed you.

Deadline: Please provide this information by May 10th.

Additionally, we would like to share these photos on our social media and website. **Please indicate** if you consent to us sharing these images online, outside of book use.

Please email your photo and description to info@lipodystrophyunited.org with the subject line "Picture Book Submission."

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