



Heartland

MYASTHENIA GRAVIS ASSOCIATION

MEETING DATES - THE SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
July 10, August 14, and September 11, 2021



The Heartland MGA group's scheduled time and place to meet is at 10:00 AM, the second Saturday of each month at Calvary Lighthouse Church, **2941 N. 80th Street, Omaha NE 68134**. Calvary is located just north of Maple on 80th Street.

Our meetings are held in the upstairs "conference room". Instead of parking in the lower parking lot, we will park up front (second driveway on the right from the corner of 80th and Maple) and enter where the sign says Education Center.

Saturday, June 12, 2021, the Heartland Myasthenia Gravis Association Support Group met for the regularly scheduled monthly support group meeting. There were 8 in attendance.

June, being Myasthenia Awareness Month, the group reviewed some of the suggestions from the MGFA awareness toolkit: Sample pitch email for media, media alert, a sample proclamation request and format, and a list of fun and creative ways to drive awareness.

Dianna circulated information from MG Health on Covid-19 Resource Center Guidance to patients.

(Updated May 17, 2021)

The CDC has provided new guidance on COVID-19 vaccinations, face coverings, and the lifting of certain, select guidelines for managing the pandemic. The MGFA medical team continues to stress its recommendation that all MG patients get the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible. We must reinforce that researchers still do not have adequate data on the level of protection that the vaccine provides patients that are on immunosuppressive treatments.

Continue consulting with your treating neurologist to discuss your individual situation and risks. And also continue encouraging those with whom you live with, or people you socialize with, to get vaccinated to keep you safe.

The National Organization for Rare Disorder (NORD) created its patient assistance program to help families with rare disorders cover costs associated with their treatment. For more information, Phone: 860.498.4307 or email MG@rarediseases.org or [Patient Assistance Programs, Medication Specific Assistance Programs - NORD \(National Organization for Rare Disorders\) \(rarediseases.org\)](#)

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