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Keynote Speaker | 8:30 AM ET

Sivasangaran Kumaran, Rare Disease Advocate/Father of Swathi (Infantile Pompe) | Rare Disease Malaysia "Developing Effective Rare Disease Policies and Improving Access to Care: The View from Malaysia"



Drug Development & Clinical Trials | 8:30 AM ET
Alison Bateman-House, PhD, MPH, MA
NYU Langone Health Department of Population Health
"Non-Trial Access to Investigational Medicines"



Research and Resources Track | 9:00 AM ET

Dr. Femida Gwadry-Sridhar | Founder & CEO, Pulse InfoFrame "Patient Registries: Does Your Population Need One?"



Drug Development & Clinical Trials | 9:00 AM ET

Dr. Barbara Handelin | Founder & CEO, Audacity Therapeutics

"Repurposing Pathway For Drug Development"



Community Building | 9:30 AM ET

Rebecca Stewart | CEO, Rare Revolution Magazine and Co-Founder & Trustee of Teddington Trust "Think Local, Act Global"





Physicians & Providers | 9:30 AM ET

Helena Baker | Rare Disease Nurse Network

Tracey Murray, RGN, DipEd Nursing | Rare Disease Nurse Network Trustee

"Nursing in the Rare Disease Environment"



Community Building | 10:00 AM ET

Dawn Torrence Ireland | President of CDHi

"Building a Non-Profit"



Advocacy and Legislation | 10:00 AM ET

Tara Britt | Associate Chair, NC Rare Disease Advisory Council Founder, NC Rare Disease Innovations Institute

"Building a Rare Disease Advisory Council in Your State"



Community Building | 10:30 AM ET

Carrie Ostrea | Executive Director and Co-Founder, Little Miss Hannah Foundation "Empowering Your Rare Disease Community to Become Advocates"





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Physicians & Providers | 11:00 AM ET

Stacey Koenig, MSM, CCLS | Senior Director, Patient & Family Support Services, Children's Mercy Hospital "Child Life: Strength Among the Unknown"



Drug Development & Clinical Trials | 11:00 AM ET

Dr. Lorna Speid, Ph.D., M.R. Pharm. S. | President of the Board of Directors, Putting Rare Disease Patients First! "The Seven Things You Need To Know About Clinical Trials as a Rare Disease Patient/Parent"



Physicians & Providers | 11:00 AM ET

Stacey Feuer, PsyD, MLD | Patient Advocate, Speaker & Health Psychologist "Psychosocial Aspects of Living with a Rare Disease"



Rare Adult Booth | 11:30 AM ET

Sharon Rose Nissley | Founder & Executive Director, Klippel-Feil Syndrome Freedom "Living Rare: The Other 50%", a moderated discussion for Rare Adults



Advocacy & Legislation | 1:30 PM ET

Becky Abbott | NFED Advocacy Committee Co-chair National Foundation for Ectodermal Dysplasias "Advocacy in Action"





Research & Resources | 1:30 PM ET

Laura Quinn | Managing Director, ASSAI Health Solutions
Holly Snyder | Board-Certified Genetic Counselor, Illumina
"New Genetics Course for People Affected by Rare Disease"



Physicians & Providers | 2:00 PM ET

Neena Nizar, EdD | Founder & Executive Director, The Jansen's Foundation

"From the Lab to the Patient: Challenges of Translational Science in Rare Disease Drug Development"



Physicians & Providers | 2:30 PM ET

Nicholas Dryer, PharmD | Community Pharmacist

"A Community Pharmacist's Role in the Management of Rare Diseases"



Patients & Caregivers | 3:00 PM ET

Cambria Lord | Rare Disease Advocate, The Cambria Lord Foundation

"What Your Rare Disease Kid Wants You to Know"





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Community Building | 3:30 PM ET

Stephanie Fischer | Executive Committee Member, Rare Advocacy Movement

"Utilize Social Media to Raise Awareness, Advocate, and Build Connections in 15 Minutes a Day""



Research and Resources Track | 4:00 PM ET
Olivia Montano | PROS Foundation
"Natural History Studies: An Overview"



Advocacy & Legislation | 4:30 PM ET

Steve Silvestri | Policy Director, The Everylife Foundation

"Newborn Screening: An Update on Progress"



Research & Resources | 5:00 PM ET

Anna Laurent | Everylife Foundation, YARR member

"Young & Rare: Meeting Young Adults Where They Are"



Patients & Caregivers | 5:30 PM ET

Meg Talley Dyer | Rare Disease Advocate & Parent

"Fighting for My Daughter. Advocating for Myself."



Research & Resources | 6:00 PM ET

Eden Lord, MSM | Founder & CEO, My City Med

"Diagnosis Road Maps: Cures Ahead"



Advocacy & Legislation | TBD

Carole Herman | Rare Disease Parent Advocate

"Rare Disease in France"